over the tube provide sufficient ventilation for this compartment.

To the right of the shield box is seen a dial underneath which is the r.f. condenser C14, it is necessary to cut the shelf away to mount these condensers in place. The photograph of the bottom of the set shows this clearly and also indicates the positions of the variable condensers

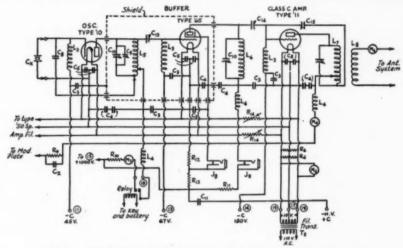


FIG. 2. - SCHEMATIC CIRCUIT OF THE RADIO-FREQUENCY UNIT

Jo-Screen-current jack for buffer stage

Plate current jack for buffer stage - 1-µfd. by-pass condenser, 1000-volt

C₂ — .002-µfd. Sangamo receiving type C₄ — Two .002-µfd. Sangamo receiving type in series

Filament by-pass condensers, same

as Ca .001-µfd. grid condenser for Hartley oscillator

Co - 2-plate midget variable

C10 - 230-µµfd. National double-spaced transmitting condenser

- 2-ufd. 1000-volt filter condenser - 100-uufd. midget, coupling con-

neutralizing condenser $L_3 - G$. R. radio-frequency chokes $L_4 - P$ late circuit r.f. chokes. (See text for details.)

C14 - 200-µµfd. National double-spaced, coupling condenser

- 5-plate National double-spaced

L_b, L_e, L_r, — See coil table
L_b — 10 turns of $\frac{1}{4}$ " copper tubing, $\frac{3}{4}$ " outside diameter, spaced $\frac{1}{4}$ " $\frac{1$

Ru - Same as Ru

R₁₂ - 5000-ohm 85-watt resistor

R13 - 20.000-ohm 85-watt resistor - 0.75-ohm G. R. rheostats R14 .

The specifications for the meters, etc.,

are given in the text.

coupling to the power amplifier, the condenser being mounted vertically on the deck. To the rear of this condenser is the power amplifier r.f. grid choke and to the right of the choke is the neutralizing condenser C15. A long fibre shaft connects this condenser to the dial on the front panel.

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The power amplifier tube V_6 is just at the right of this shaft and in front of this tube may be seen the plate circuit r.f. choke. The by-pass condensers associated with this tube are grouped about this socket also. The power amplifier tank circuit inductance is shown at rear right-hand end of the set and is mounted on its tank circuit condenser which is directly below the coil. This condenser is connected also to the dial on the front panel by means of a fibre shaft. The output coupling inductance is mounted on an adjustable slide just forward of the tank inductance.

The four variable condensers which are controlled by dials on the front panel are on approximately the same level as the deck. Consequently

which were determined after consideration of the length of the resulting radio frequency circuits. It will be noted that none of the radio frequency circuit wiring extends below the deck. The resistor near the center, at lower edge, is R_{10} in the oscillator plate supply lead. The one above the neutralizing condenser is R_9 in the plate lead of the power amplifier and the by-pass condenser C2 is directly alongside.

THE AUDIO FREQUENCY SYSTEM

The output of the carbon or of the condenser microphone is coupled to the grid of the first speech amplifier tube through a Samson microphone-input transformer T1. An adjustable potentiometer R_1 across the secondary of this transformer provides a means of obtaining the desired audio signal level on the grids of the modulator tubes. The first and second interstage coupling transformers, T_2 , are Samson "Symphonic." The coupling impedance L_1 between the third speech amplifier stage and the modulators is a Samson 30-henry, 80-milliampere choke and the grid impedance L2, is a Type G choke manufactured by the same concern.

The current for the carbon microphone is obtained from the same battery that supplies the filaments of the first two speech amplifier tubes. A 200-ohm potentiometer, R₆, connected across the filament supply permits the microphone current to be adjusted to the desired value. It is important to note that a good carbon microphone

200 milliampere chokes, two units being used merely because it was easier to obtain the desired inductance at the existing current density in this way. These chokes were mounted externally to the set itself to prevent any mechanical or electrical feedback. The plate supply for the two UV-845 modulator tubes is obtained from the 1000-volt source through these reactors.

In the photograph of the front panel the plug attached to the milliammeter M_2 is shown in the

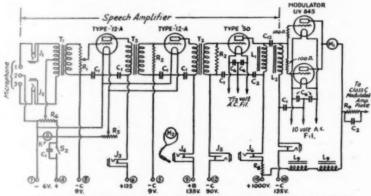


FIG. 3. -THE MODULATOR AND SPEECH-AMPLIFIER CIRCUIT

- 2-ufd. by-pass condensers

C1 - 1-ufd. 1000-volt by-pass condenser

C₆ — 2.0-µfd. by-pass condenser (single unit) C₁₀ — .01-µfd. 5000-volt mica coupling condenser

- 500,000-ohm Electrad potentiometer (Gain control)

R2 - 100,000-ohm fixed resistor

Rs - 150,000-ohm fixed resistor

- 12-ohm G. R. rheostat - 100-ohm potentiometer for microphone circuit

L₁ — 30-henry 80-m.a. choke. (See text.) L₂ — 220-henry grid impedance. (See text.)

- Modulation reactors. (See text.)

is easily ruined by suddenly opening the battery circuit several times, as would be the case if switch S₁ were operated when current was flowing through the microphone. The inductive "kick" caused by the collapse of the transformer field produces sparking between the carbon granules of microphone buttons and ultimately leads to a "packed" transmitter. A condenser C1, across the battery switch S2 will help to protect the microphone to a limited extent in the event that the switch is operated before the microphone current has been gradually reduced to zero by means of the potentiometer St. The current in each microphone button is measured by plugging the milliammeter M_2 into either jack J_1 or J_2 . The pilot light K associated with this circuit serves to indicate whether or not the battery circuit is closed.

The plate circuits of the three speech amplifier tubes are provided with jacks to permit the insertion of the milliammeter M2 in the circuit to check the operation of the tubes. The grid current of the last speech amplifier and that of the modulators may be determined in a similar manner. The plate current of the modulators is read on a meter permanently connected in the circuit.

The modulation reactors L_2 , are each 15 henry,

lower of the two microphone current jacks. The lower row of jacks permits the measurement of the various grid, plate and screen circuit currents as has been mentioned. The knob to the left controls the microphone current potentiometer and the one to the right controls the audio-amplifier gain. Above and between the two knobs is the pilot lamp, K, and above the second jack from the right is the battery switch

The apparatus of the audio frequency system is seen at the left end of the view showing the interior of the set from above. The row of equipment along the left edge, reading from front to back, consists of the microphone input transformer, the first Type '12 amplifier, the first interstage transformer, and the second Type '12 amplifier; then across the back of the set; the second interstage transformer, the Type '50 amplifier and the grid impedance L_2 for the modulators. The large choke in front of the Type '50 tube is L_1 the plate circuit coupling impedance for this amplifier. The mica grid-coupling condenser C_{12} is mounted between the choke and the tube socket. The two UV-845 modulator tubes are at the right. The two knobs to the right rear of the modulators are the filament rheostats R_{14} . Several by-pass condensers are seen in this

view but most of those used in the audio circuits are on the under side of the deck. The remainder of the equipment is associated with the radio frequency circuits and has already been described.

The view of the under side of the deck shows the additional by-pass condensers together with the series plate circuit resistors R_8 , R_{11} , R_{12} , and R_{13} , and the filament rheostats R_{14} .

The wire used for connecting most of the apparatus, excepting the radio frequency circuits, is automotive lighting cable. This wire is stranded, has a rubber covering and an outer braid of varnished cambric. It is particularly well adapted for use where the wires are run through holes in metal shields or around sharp bends because its tough covering is not easily injured.

POWER SUPPLY EQUIPMENT

A 1000-volt, 400-milliampere motor-generator set supplies the plate voltage and an 11-volt 15-ampere transformer heats the filaments of all the tubes in the transmitter with the exception of the first two speech amplifiers. A 1250-volt plate supply would be more suitable for this service and on occasion this transmitter is operated from a rectified plate supply giving this voltage. The filament transformer is provided with a primary rheostat that permits the secondary voltage to be adjusted to 10 volts for the Type '11 and the UV-845 tubes. The additional drop necessary to reduce this voltage to 7.5 volts for the filaments of the Type '10, '50 and '65 tubes is obtained by means of the series resistors R_{14} . A common center tap resistor is used for the return of all grid and plate direct currents and this resistor must be sufficiently large to handle approximately 400 milliamperes. The grid bias voltage for all the tubes both in the audio and radio circuits, excepting the first two speech amplifiers, is obtained from a common tapped bias battery of 180 volts. This battery is located on the shelf below the transmitter and is connected to the set by means of a five-wire cable and plug which connects to the group of terminals which are numbered 10 to 14 inclusive.

The filament, plate and grid voltages for the first two audio amplifiers are obtained from batteries which are placed on a shelf directly below the transmitter and connected to it by means of a six-wire battery cable and plug that connects to the group of terminals numbered 4 to 9 inclusive.

GENERAL

The method of tuning and operating this type of transmitter has been explained many times in recent articles in this publication and will not be discussed here.1 The checking of the performance of the set is aided considerably by the provisions that have been made to read the current in all

¹ QST, April and Sept., 1929. Also The Radio Amateurs' Handbook, 7th Edition, Chapter VIII.

the important circuits. A monitor 2 to check for possible frequency modulation and a modulometer to measure the percentage of modulation and to check the overall operation of the transmitter are quite essential to obtain best operation.3

The transmitter is preferably operated with crystal control of the frequency, in which case it has been found that the carrier frequency remains constant even with 100 per cent modulation of the output. When the oscillator is used as a self-excited Hartley circuit care must be exercised not to over-modulate as there is likely to be a tendency to modulate the carrier frequency as well as its amplitude. This is particularly true when operating in the vicinity of the 14-mc. band. This difficulty may be overcome by using a separate plate supply, such as a "B" substitute, for the oscillator tube.

For convenience in operating the set, the microphone input circuit has been extended from the transmitter to the operating desk by means of a three wire cable in flexible conduit. To prevent radio frequency pick up in this cable a choke is connected in each lead as it leaves the set. The chokes used consist of 90 turns of three strands of No. 26 d.c.c. wire in parallel on a 1/2" wooden dowel. Each wire then forms a choke of 90 turns, one of which is placed in each lead. The audio input circuit and the control pair may be extended as far as desired if proper precautions are taken with the audio circuit and thus the transmitter may be remotely controlled from any desirable point.

A relay with its contacts connected between terminals 18 permits the oscillator to be started at will by merely closing the switch that operates the relay. Thus the power supply may be left running and the transmitter stopped when it is desired to receive, by operating one switch.

In conclusion particular attention is called to the fact that the mechanical layout and the wiring of such a set are very important, particularly when the audio and radio circuits are so close together and provided with so little shielding. It would, perhaps, have been better to build the audio and the radio circuits in separate units and to place them at a considerable distance from each other. In this transmitter it was necessary to connect the cases of all transformers, chokes, by-pass condensers, etc., to a common ground wire in as direct a manner as possible.

This radiophone transmitter has been in continual use at W1AXV-W1XP for the past year and has given very satisfactory service for every use to which it has been put, including amateur communication from W1AXV, as well as communication to airplanes and airships, and the transmission to distant laboratories of standard frequencies in the audio frequency spectrum from W1XP.

² QST, Nov., 1929. ³ QST, Aug., 1929.

An Old Timer Gets Back in the Game

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HE correct way to begin this story is:

"Once upon a time there were two transmitting amateurs talking," but since it is an up-to-date story, it really begins like this: "Tweet-twit-tweet-twit, tweet-tweet-twi-DAWW-DI-DAWW

"Sounds fierce tonight, doesn't it?" exclaimed Lee, as he pulled the switch on the receiver.

"Sounds like most of the c.w. fellows have taken up the 'phone idea and have all gone in for one hundred percent modulation," replied Ed. "Say, you know so much, why are those signals so darned broad?"

"Why, you ought to know that, even if this is your first week on the air in two years. It's because of what some fellow at Headquarters terms wobbulation; that is, frequency modulation. You see, the oscillator is so easily influenced by variations in input and variations in load, due respectively to a poorly constructed power supply and and unstable antenna." Lee reached up on the bookshelf and took down his Handbook.

"Then what a fellow needs for a first-class signal is an outfit that is steady in every part, in order to get steady output?" Ed. queried, craning over Lee's shoulder to look in the book.

"Yeah, that's it, all right. Oh, here we are, page 102 in my edition of the *Handbook*. 'Unsteady Signals' is the heading, and believe me, it gives you the right dope. Just look that over for a minute."

Silence fell - no one hurt.

"Yes, this is fine to tell you what might be causing the unsteady signals, but how does a fellow get away from any chance of having it in the first place?" Ed. shut the Handbook with a bang.

"Of course, I might tell you to read the whole Handbook, and when you got done you would know — and then again, you might not. How does a fellow get away from any chance of QSX in the first place? That's a large order, but here's what dope I can give you, and what I have learned from experience." Lee pulled out pencil and paper and started.

THE POWER SUPPLY

"We'll say this outfit is going to be a Type '10 transmitter. I think that covers about 50 percent of all ham stations in the U. S. A. I'll start with the power supply. Of course, for good regulation this must be amply large. If it is to be r.a.c., then the transformer must be a good husky one. If

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motor generator, then it should be of considerably larger rating than the maximum of power to be taken from it. And the motor should be a constant-speed affair, so that as the load is applied it will not slow down. We needn't bother much with the m.g., though, as it isn't so popular as r.a.c. anyway. R.a.c., that's getting to be an insult — when a fellow tells you your note is 'r.a.c.' Still, I'm willing to bet that 90% of the sets in the U. S. A. use it, so why not call it r.a.c.? I think it must be because the fellows naturally associate r.a.c. with the worst sounding signals on the band. Maybe they think it means 'raw a.c.' Hi!"

"I think it must be because most fellows envy the motor-generator equipped stations," Ed.

"Well, it doesn't matter, but r.a.c. supply is the cheapest, and can be made the best. The most important thing is the rectifier. One thing

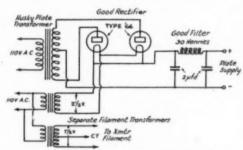


FIG. 1. - "I'll start with the power supply."

is sure; we have the advantage over the fellows in the game back in 1928, and before, since we have cheap mercury vapor rectifiers available, which they didn't. Now take these Type '66's, or the 6EX Rectobulb, or any number of other makes. They all provide a real rectifier which doesn't strangle your output with high resistance. Naturally they have to be kept within their rating, but their rating is plenty high, compared to the old tube rectifiers. Of course, for a Type '10 the Type '81 tube is fairly good, for it will stand 750 volts on the plate, and with a moderate amount of current being drawn, with good filter, will deliver 500 volts without blushing.

"Occasionally a fellow can pick up a mercury arc tube, which is what I consider about the best. One doesn't worry about rectifier filaments with an arc. Of course, there is considerable experimentation to be done before one gets the thing to tip correctly, but after that, everything's all set. And believe me, the output from a mercury arc is limited only to the transformer's ability to stand the gaff; that is, for amateur work.

"Let's take the filter next. Did you notice that article in QST not long ago on filters? 1 Oh, no, I forgot, your reading has been rather curtailed. being so busy. Well, anyhow, it was to the effect that amateur filters should use more chokes and less condensers, in order to save the mercuryvapor type rectifiers. After the key is let up on the transmitter, the condensers figuratively just open their mouths and gasp down all the juice. Of course, when the rectifier tubes aren't of ample rating to take care of this, they are strained to the limit. It doesn't take long to ruin them at that rate. The article went on to explain how the choke stored up energy but not at such a rate as the condenser, and exerted good filtering action, but not so much at the expense of the rectifier. It's a good one to read.

"And then March QST had an article on electrolytic condensers.2 The sum of the findings seemed to be that around 2 µfd. of capacity was sufficient for filter on any good c.w. outfit. I don't know whether that is entirely sufficient; personally I prefer four mikes. Still, I know one fellow who produced as beautiful a DX note as anyone could ask for with only two mikes.'

Here Ed. took possession of the pencil. "Your points then, on the power supply are: One, a good big transformer; two, a good rectifier, preferably mercury vapor; and three, good filter of, say, two mikes each side of a choke. Is that all right?"

"Why, yes, Ed., that hits the bell. Perhaps some one would object to the four mikes and one choke. An alternative would be a low value double choke, that is, about 18 henries each choke, one mike on the input side, one in the middle, and one or two mikes on the output. That's my ideal. Of course, all must have good high-voltage rating, and the chokes should be able to carry far more current than will ever be necessary - for best results." Lee stopped a minute and sketched out the filter. "Here, keep this."

"Say, you forgot the filament supply. Or maybe you intended that to be on the plate transformer, eh?"

"No, I just forgot it. Of course, the mercury vapor tube rectifier filaments must be lit by a good transformer, and the transmitting tube as well. Personally, I believe in separate transformers for each - for better regulation although the two filament supplies could come from the same transformer. But I never want the plate and filament supplies on the same transformer. I've seen too much grief come from that.

"You see, it is impossible to vary the filament voltage independently by changing the primary voltage with the filament and plate windings on the same transformer. And then, too, the insulation isn't nearly so good, especially for the high voltages now used. And it is really almost ridiculously easy to wind a new secondary on some small transformer for filament supply, to say nothing of being able to buy them very cheap.

"The center-tap on the filament supply is important. If the transformer winding isn't center-tapped, and accurately, use a centertapped resistor. One of two hundred ohms is O.K. — or a 200-ohm potentiometer. I don't like the lamp type of center-tap unless good automobile headlight bulbs are used; they are more uniform in resistance than the Christmas tree kind usually are. Some of these mercury-vapor tube rectifier circuits require no center-tap, however.'

"Of course, voltage control is important, and that is where the separate filament transformer comes in at its best. It is an easy matter to find some resistance wire that will cut down the primary voltage to make the secondary the correct value, but a rheostat to cut down voltage at one and a quarter amperes is harder to obtain for secondary control. And then either two rheostats are needed, or a resistance center-tap, which is not so good. A good rheostat in the primary is just the thing."

"Well, that about finishes the power supply, doesn't it - or can you think of anything else? said Ed.

THE TRANSMITTER

"No, I guess the oscillator comes next. I think we can disregard all circuits for common use excepting the Hartley and tuned-grid tunedplate.

"First, shall we use series or shunt feed? I'll take both circuits right together. Now in the Hartley circuit, series feed requires a split coil affair that is a messy mechanical job, with doubtful advantages, so we might as well count that out. However, the tuned-grid tuned plate affair can be made series feed with very little trouble. In fact, I found efficiency increased about 15% with just that one change here. You see, in series feed, the plate high-voltage is fed to a point of low radio frequency potential, thus eliminating - or at least decreasing - the amount of radio frequency feeding back into the power supply."

"Wait a minute, wait a minute! Your explanation is lucid and explicit, but remember, I've been rather out of touch with radio for a couple of years. Just what does all that amount to, anyway?"

"Just this. There is no need of an effective radio frequency choke. In fact, one isn't even needed usually, but is used merely as a precaution, see? The high voltage 'plus' is fed to a part of the circuit which isn't hot. And so the r.f.

 [&]quot;Plate Supply Filters and Keying," QST, Jan., 1929.
 "Electrolytic Condensers and a High-Voltage Rectifier," QST, March, 1929.

hasn't much chance to leak back through the power supply. Get it?"

"You bet. GA, old man."

"Well, here's Diagram 1, the shunt fed Hartley; Diagram 2 is the shunt fed t.p.t.g., and Diagram 3, the series fed t.p.t.g. Of the three, the Hartley is the simplest, the series fed t.p.t.g. seems to give the most r.f. output per amount of input, and the shunt fed t.p.t.g. is merely shown for convenience, since there is no

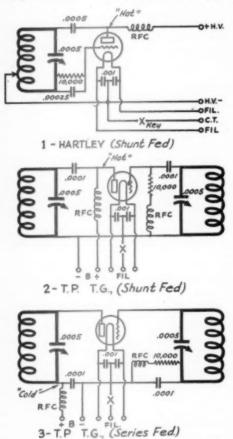


FIG. 2.—" Well, here's Diagram 1, the shunt fed Hartley: Diagram 2, the shunt fed t.p.t.g., and Diagram 3, the series fed t.n.t.g."

real need to even try it. It works all okay, though, in case you do want to try it."

Ed. considered the diagrams carefully. "Well, that looks all right to me. I used the Hartley all the time I was on the air before, but I suppose these others are just as good."

"Yes. The only difference seems to me to be that the Hartley draws a bit more current without the antenna coupled, but that may be my individual results. And the circuit had the same parts as the t.p.t.g. I used to have (and used for 18 months) and the same coils."

"Oh, say, Lee, why all this stuff about small coils and big condensers? When I was on before, everything was the edgewise wound dope; now copper tubing seems to be the rage."

'Simple enough. Take the Hartley circuit in front of you. You can readily see that there is capacity between each pair of elements in the tube, can't you? Well, then, if the shunt capacity across the coils - which is made up of tuning condenser, and three tube capacities is small, the tube capacities will be a larger percentage than if the total capacity were large; understanding of course that the tube capacities do not change appreciably while we are changing the tuning condenser. However, if we have the old style set with small tuning capacity (50 μμfd. was plenty of capacity in those days, I remember) the small change in tube capacities due to heating would be a relatively large change if the total shunt capacity was large, as nowadays 350 μμfd. say for 7 mc. band. Get it?" 3

Ed. considered a minute. "Ye-s, I think so. Oh, sure I do."

"Well, then, to have a stable oscillator, we need plenty of capacity, which means small inductance. But then we run into a snag. We have extremely high currents then, and believe me, radio frequency currents sure do some heating. We must use heavy inductance for the Type '10, preferably, quarter-inch copper tubing. And remember that all connections to the condenser in this tank circuit must be just as heavy as the inductance, or the strain goes on these parts. It is best to use the same size tubing for connectors. If plug-in mounts are used extreme care must be used to have them heavy enough to carry the current without heating. The best I can think of would be of solid brass with a 1/4" hole drilled for the coil and a setscrew to fasten it in. Old dial bushings do equally well, if mounted solidly on insulators. The setscrew can be equipped with a large head or thumbnut."

"I'll use the dial bushings for mine. I've a half-dozen old dials home I'm just considering throwing away. Their bushings will be just the thing." Ed. pencilled a note on the paper.

$$(2f)^2 = \frac{1}{CL} \left(1 + \frac{R}{r_p} \right)$$

The dynamic variable is the plate resistance of the tube, r_p : By making the load resistance, R, small in proportion to r_p , the effectiveness of variations in the tube's plate impedance is greatly reduced, as far as frequency variation is concerned. A High-C plate tank circuit therefore is effective in reducing both the frequency variations due to tube heating (mechanical instability) and those caused by variations in tube plate impedance (dynamic instability). — EDITOR.

² The High-C type of oscillator circuit derives much of its frequency stability from another consideration. The dynamic stability (stability with rapid changes in plate voltage, etc.) is due to the low ratio of load impedance to tube plate impedance. This follows from the equation for frequency of oscillation:

"Use G. R. insulators for mounting them, then. You can get them cheap. I mean those small ribbed stand-off insulators used for mounting all sorts of parts. They are fine business for plug-in mounts of any kind. To go back to the size of the condensers and coils to be used, for the 3500-kc. band I believe about 400 µµfd. of capacity is desirable. On 7000 kc., from 300 to 350 $\mu\mu$ fd., and on 14 mc., perhaps 250 $\mu\mu$ fd. though I have found this too high for a reasonable input, and have used as low as 150 μμfd. with fair results. To determine the size of coil, I would reduce the input to a low amount and put clips on the coil instead of the regular mountings, and just reduce the number of turns until the amount of capacity required to tune the coil to the top of the band was close to the above amounts. It isn't at all critical to find the size coil required by this method. Just as a starter, 12 turns of tubing wound on 23%" form seem to be about right for 3500 kc. work. For 7 and 14 mc. six and four (or three) turns, respectively seem the right values."

"How about the tuning condensers?" Ed. queried. "You know I have a bunch of old-timers home I hate to throw away. I guess I must have a half-dozen Cardwells, General Radios, and even some of the old Acme Low-Loss. You know, the

kind with the celluloid cover?" "You bet I know. Why, they are just as good as anything. In fact, I consider them about the best, except for their bulk and the fact that they cannot be mounted very well on a breadboard. The rotor and stator plates are soldered into one unit, something worthwhile, and the dustless feature helps considerably. Besides, the capacity is $500~\mu\mu fd$., which is just what is needed. However, the Cardwells will make a neater looking job."

"Guess I won't throw 'em away then. They're hard to make connections to, however — at least to the stator."

Lee considered a minute. "Yes, I believe they are, but it can be done. Just make a couple of connections, one to each side. Well, to get on with the set.

"Use a good UX-type socket. Anything but a 'floating' socket is O.K. Look out for possible flashovers though, and pick one with connections far enough apart.

"The plate blocking condenser in the Hartley should be of about 500 $\mu\mu$ fd. capacity. However, I have used values up to .003 μ fd., and down to 100 μ fd. and found that the larger value (above .0005) worked just as well, but that the smaller ones increased the input quite a bit. The grid condenser isn't critical, but a value in the neighborhood of 250 $\mu\mu$ fd. is fine. For the tuned-grid tuned-plate circuit I found 100 $\mu\mu$ fd. enough for good results in both the plate and grid circuits. Larger capacity is usually all right, though. For filament by-pass most any old thing is O.K.

providing it is .001 µfd. or so and the voltage break-down is fairly high. I have had trouble with some small receiving condensers here, where the stress is considerably less than in the plate circuit. However, good receiving condensers will stand up in the filament circuit of a Type '10 outfit. The plate and grid condensers should be really good, though. I find mica-type receiver condensers stand up, but the margin of safety isn't really enough. Two in series should be just right."

"Hold on a minute, let me write those down." Ed. was silent for a minute while he wrote busily. Then, "What about the grid leak?"

"I was just coming to that. Ten thousand ohms is just the size for a Type '10 oscillator. I have used all the way from 5000 to 12,000 ohms with little difference in output, but the 10,000 size seems best; over that, the circuit isn't so stable because the bias is too great. The gridleak in my t.p.t.g. you might notice, is across the grid condenser with an r.f. choke in series to keep r.f. out of that side of the grid coil — found it wouldn't work without the choke there. However, any good receiving choke stands up there all right. Speaking of r.f. chokes — I haven't said anything about them yet, have I?"

"No, hop right along, that used to be a sticker," said Ed.

"It still is. A fellow named Lidbury wrote an article back in 1927 in the Experimenters' Section in QST. Just wait a minute." Lee looked in his file of QSTs. "Yes, here it is, October, 1927."

"Let me look it over to-night, will you?" Ed. reached for the magazine.

"Sure, take it along. The main thing is that he recommends very small diameter chokes, and his tables are all for No. 38 wire. However, I have found several receiving chokes to work fine. The Silver-Marshall No. 277, and the Samson Helical Wound No. 85 are both good. A layer wound, or rather scramble-layer-wound, seems to work in most cases. Just cut and try on the same foundation as Lidbury gives."

"Well, that covers everything. I guess, doesn't it? Oh, no, what about arrangement of parts? I don't seem to be very good on that."

"Well, a number of good lay-out arrangements have been shown in QST as well as in the Handbook. As a rule they follow the schematic circuit diagrams pretty closely, especially the t.p.t.g. outfits. A good arrangement for the Type '10 Hartley with a Cardwell tuning condenser is the High-C set described in August, 1928, QST, and in the sixth edition of the A.R.R.L. Handbook. The inductance can be placed behind the tuning condenser with the tube socket on top of the condenser or the inductance can be on one side of the condenser with the tube socket in the rear. The main idea is to make the leads between the tuning condenser and the inductance

plenty heavy and not too long. The other leads should not be all jammed together. I have found that when the leads were cut too short and everything was crowded, r.f. currents worked in where they weren't wanted and more difficulty was experienced than with apparatus quite widely separated."

Ed. looked at his watch.

"Let's move on to the antennas. It's getting late."

ANTENNAS

"Well, for practical work we have a choice of a lot of antennas, but the three we can really spend time on are the split Hertz (antennacounterpoise) system, the single-wire feed Hertz and the Zeppelin. I won't go into detail on the lengths, because there is plenty of dope in QST and the Handbook.⁴ But just a word on the leadins, etc.

"With the Zeppelin, a primary consideration is to keep the feeders from swaying. Use light spacers between them. Heavy spacers have too

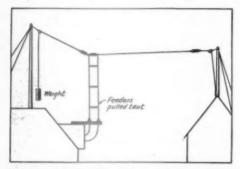


FIG. 3.—"With the Zeppelin, a primary consideration is to keep the feeders from swaying. . . . And what we want is that the antenna be as tight as possible."

much inertia and the wires swing but the feeder spacers stay in place. Quarter-inch wood dowels well boiled in paraffin are the best spacers. Use good strain insulators. Make the masts good and strong, well guyed, and have one end of the antenna tied fast. The halyard on the other end should go through the pulley and have a really heavy weight tied on the lower end. A couple hundred pounds is none too much in any weather. And what we want is that the antenna be as tight as possible. The feeders should sag the antenna considerably by being pulled down tightly."

"But that takes height off the antenna!" Ed. objected.

"Sure it does, but it doesn't matter how high your antenna is if you don't get out with it, and you'll not get out with a wobbly signal in these crowded bands."

⁴ Radio Amateur's Handbook (Sixth Edition), Chap. VIII. "You're right, there; but it sure does hurt to see fifty-foot masts with the antenna sagging to thirty-foot height in the center or wherever the feeders come."

"You should worry about that. Thirty feet is just right for the Zeppelin feeders, anyhow." Lee drew a picture of the Zepp system.

"How about lead-in insulators. Do they have to be 1-kw. Pyrex bowls?"

"No, but the bowls are good. Personally for small power, I favor, if possible, putting holes in the window pane; and if not, putting a board at the top of the window and leading in the feeders on the Pyrex bowl idea, but using just the small G. R. stand-off insulators, one on each side of the board for each lead-in. That works fine at my shack. The old mud bushing is passé."

"There's that five-dollar word again; seems to be a pet of yours, popping out every once in a while. Well, Old Man, think you have done me a lot of good to-night. I'm going home and read over what you wrote here, and believe me, I'm going to put out a real sig from now on." Ed. rose, Lee reached over and tuned in a station on the receiver.

"Peep-pip-pee-pip, peep-peep-pip-peep."
"Boy, isn't that pretty? And not a bit of QRM!"

The Vanalta Division Convention

"GOOD to the last drop!" And, in this case, there certainly was nothing wrong with the last drop. The coffee manufacturer who popularized this slogan never will know how near he came to describing the Vanalta Division Convention held at the Chamber of Commerce Hall, Victoria, B. C., on the 30th and 31st August. Use your imagination as you will, if you did not attend it you never can realize how this holiday, so well managed by the Victoria Short-Wave Club, could have been so pleasant. Not only was it favored by being held on Canadian soil, but it had as well a beautiful setting in lovely Victoria and was attended by the most genial group it has been the pleasure of the writer to meet.

After registration during Saturday morning, the delegates assembled at 3 p.m. to hear Mr. Louis R. Huber, W9DOA-W9SU, Midwest Division Director representing A.R.R.L. Headquarters, describe the major problems confronting the amateur fraternity to-day and tell how the Board is meeting them. Mr. J. King Cavalsky, VE5AL, S. C. M. of British Columbia, then presided over a general discussion, following which the fellows hob-nobbed over pipe and cigar.

Imagine it! — an A.R.R.L. banquet starting on time! Yet this one did it at 8 p.m. and, what is more, was broadcast successfully by CFCT!

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The Milkotron

As Told to the Old Connecticut Yankee

By Woody Darrow, W3JZ*

T is with the greatest of pleasure that I assume my new duties of insulting engineer to the technickle staff of QST. It all started at the Worcester Convention. Jim Lamb, who is the Chief Tech, and George Grammer, next in command, was both complainin' about how hard the work on QST was. Some of the questions asked was so hard that they couldn't answer them, so I says I'd be glad to take a job as insulting engineer to the technickle staff at the nominal salary of $3\sqrt[8]{-7}$ per alum. My job meant less work for Jim and George, so they both agreed it was a good thing. Along came the check and double check from K. B., Hebee, and Hiram, and I was sent to Pisacci, New Jersey, to meet Freddy Link and Johnnie Knight (W2ALU) at the de Woods Radio Co., who in turn pass me over to H. Rouclere (W2AWI), who is in charge of the Engineering Department, where all the bright ideas come from. Mr. Rouclere was a tall, slender chap, with blue eyes and dark hair. He was such a modest fellow that I could hardly believe that he was the man who had invented the Milkotron, the new tube that was to revolutize radio by annihilating the skip distance phenom-

I looked at Mr. Rouclere and he looked at me, and we might have been looking at each other for days if Mr. Rouclere hadn't up and said, "Hello!" To which I replied, "Fine, thanks" — and the interview was under way. "Are you troubled by fading signals, skip distance effects, low antenna current, static-itus, heart burn, weak ankles, or halitosis?" asked he. I hated to admit my weakness so I up and says, "Says you." This didn't stop Mr. Rouclere; he continued by telling me to fill out coupon at the bottom of page 99 of this QST and mail it to the nearest drug store, or drop it in the waste basket. It really didn't matter, as even my best friends wouldn't tell me.

Frankly, I was amazed at the technickle knowledge of this lad and I begged him to tell me more of the outstanding sensation of the decade — The Milkotron — which had helped to alleviate the suffering caused by skip distance phomena.

"Well, first off, there is 'Not a Bull in a Carload,' "he began.

load," he began.
I told him bulls never bothered in any way, as

most of my trouble was caused by parasitics.

"This tube may be had in any capacity up to

and including 500 quatts ¹ and in any distance range desired, plus or minus five miles," he continued. "The new principles involved in governing the distance at which signals from a transmitter employing this tube may be heard have been kept in a sealed metal receptable inside the tube cooling tanks at W2XCD. But due to the fact that the tube persisted in heating up,



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THE MILKOTRON

somebody opened the tanks and removed the obstruction which made it possible to present this information to the select circle of QST readers."

I could tell from the way he talked, and the fact that he worked in a tube factory, that Mr. Rouclere would have to be pumped. His knowl-

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¹ A new unit of something or other, chiefly the latter. Cf. Borden and Sheffield, "Principles and Practice of MOO-PA transmitting Circuits."

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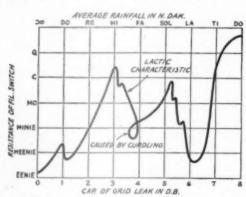
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edge proved to me that no vacuum existed so far, so I says, "Tell me more."

He continued: "The secret is merely the fact that instead of bounding our signals off the Heaviside layer and letting them get knocked for a loop out into boundless space, we utilize the reflecting power of the milky way! By depositing on the plate of the Milkotron varying amounts of desiccated cow-juice, the angle at which the produced wave is reflected from the milky way is controlled to a much butter advantage."

I says, "That's a fine theory, but will it work?"
"How can it help but work? It's in de Woods
and when I says a tube is in de Woods, why go
any deeper?"

The accompanying graph 2 gives the distance at which signals may be expected to come to earth again for a given deposit on the plate:



BIG CHIEF CHARACTERISTICS OF MILKOTRON TypePurpose Une Tel. Votes 413 Power After Meals 10 flat Pacifier Shake Well Fil. Current Clean Grid General Character Oh, aho, aho! Voltage Good

Deportment:
Check and Double Check.

"Don't forget," added Mr. Rouclere, "to tell the credulous amateur that in ordering the Milkotron to state whether he wants his signals to come back to earth in 100 miles, 200 miles, 1,000 miles or in a tail spin. The Milkotron will be sent C.O.D., milk tickets not accepted."

I have only had the Milkotron in my own laboratory for about a week, and it seems sour already.

It operates much the same as any vacuum tube. That is, when the grid is positive it's very positive and when it's negative, it curdles. The grid leak which is enclosed in the tube cuts the resistance down to about 2 milavotes per meter, which is simply great when you consider that the grid is crooked anyway and robs the filament of its elections. The plate is held in place by two

false teeth with roots embedden in the base. These teeth are slightly decayed and give off a gas which, when ignited by the electromhos (positive hunks of raw a.c.) cause the pilot light to glow in the tube, eliminating an antenna meter. The brighter the glow the more antenna current. If the tube is overloaded, the gas backs up into the teeth causing them to bite off the plate current, thus stopping the filament from burning out as the tube ceases oscillating. The Milkotron is truly the most remarkable improvement amateur radio has ever seen, and if there are any questions, either on this tube or other ham problems, send them in to the Insulting Engineer of the Technickle Staff of QST.

A New Section Created in Pacific Division

As provided in the Constitution and By-Laws of the A.R.R.L., the operating territory of the League is apportioned into Sections for the purposes of administration of the League's field organization. Action may be taken by the Communications Manager acting with the advice and consent of the Division Director concerned in the United States, its territories, and Cuba, and with the advice and consent of the Canadian General Manager in Newfoundland, Labrador, and the Dominion of Canada.

Recently fifty-eight members in the San Joaquin valley territory in the Pacific Division petitioned for the formation of a new section. The matter was discussed with Section Managers Sandham and Quement, who each agreed to relinquish certain California counties proposed for inclusion in the new Section. Division Director A. H. Babcock gave the matter his full consideration and consent and recommended the matter to Headquarters for the action requested.

This notice announces the creation of a San Joaquin Valley Section of the Pacific Division to include the counties of Amador, Calaveras, San Joaquin, Tuolumne, Stanislaus, Mariposa, Merced, Madera, Fresno, Tulare and Kings of the state of California. All amateur operators and stations in this territory, are invited to report activities regularly to a San Joaquin Valley Section Communications Manager effective with his election.

A.R.R.L. members residing in the new section have already received mail notice of its formation, together with a notice soliciting nominating petitions for a Section Manager. By the time this information is in print an election by mail ballot will be in progress, or should the Section be unanimous in choice of a candidate the election will be completed by October 15th and the address of the S. C. M. may be obtained by dropping a line to A.R.R.L. Headquarters.

- F. E. H.

² Tech-nickel word meaning "rake-down on signals."

Volume Level Indicators

By Guy C. Omer, Jr.*

OLUME level indicators are another member of that quite useful family, the vacuum tube voltmeters. They are almost universally used wherever speech equipment is found, be it broadcast station, public address system, or what have you. A volume level indicator would likewise prove to be a very fitting addition to the up-to-date amateur radiotelephone.

The great value of the volume level indicator lies in its indicating visually the instantaneous volume-level of the speech input. Not only are visual measurements more accurate and dependable than aural, but also - because the average amateur phone is a one-man station - aural measurements, during operation, are a near impossibility. By the visual indicator's use, the audio-frequency input to the modulator may be kept at the value giving the greatest percentage of modulation and yet be maintained just below the value that causes distortion.

An amateur might put in much time and spend much money building a radiotelephone station "à la Hull" but, by overloading his audio amplifier and by overmodulating, ruin the tonal qualities and make his phone sound like an early "Dark Ages" model. Again, the reverse might occur. An amateur might work and work to build a modulator capable of producing 100% modulation, but by running the volume level low obtain only 30% or 40% modulation, thereby losing efficiency as well as the fruits of his labors. The best of engineering can be ruined by improper operation.

The above reason alone is more than enough to warrant the use of a volume indicator at every amateur radiotelephone station - and the volume indicator has other uses also. For instance, if an audio oscillator of widely variable frequency is available, a frequency run can be made on the speech amplifier, disclosing any faults that might be present.

Also, by watching a volume level indicator while speaking into the microphone, defects in delivery are shown up. An even speaking voice is to be preferred in radio, since the level can be made quite high without causing distortion. A speaking voice containing heavily accented syllables is to be avoided, for the average level must be brought down to prevent the heavily accented syllables from causing distortion. The amateur might, otherwise, never realize how irregular his voice is, but would see strange things when observing a volume indicator while speaking. By

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practice a good "radio voice" can be cultivated to give a high average level without causing distortion. However, accents must not be subdued too greatly as the voice must remain clear and concise.

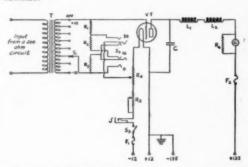


FIG. 1.—THE WESTERN ELECTRIC 518-B PANEL

T - 208-AD input transformer.

- 38-AC 7500-ohm fixed resistance.

R₁ — 38-AB 30,000-ohm fixed resistance, R₃ — Two 38-W 100,000-ohm fixed resistance in series.

R4 - 42-H 5-ohm potentiometer.

- 42-N 15.9-ohm rheostat. Rt - 1-K 30-ohm galvanometer damping resistance.

L1,-L2 - 75-B filter inductance.

- 57-A 2-ufd. filter condenser. G — Weston galvanometer Per KS-2665.

S1 - 146-A 12-point dial switch. S2 - 501-N key.

J - 248-A jack.

F1 - 35-E fuse.

- 62-B fuse.

While we are on the subject, something may be said about the use of a microphone. A microphone should not be handled while current is flowing through it but should be left suspended in some convenient position. The speaker should not be too far from the microphone, because the high frequencies, which add color, will tend to drop out. Neither, by all means, should he be too close to the microphone. Then the microphone will pick up the sounds of the breath and lip movements. It is best not to speak directly into the microphone at close range, since the air emitted from the mouth to form the sound waves will cause whistling sounds as it strikes the diaphragm and the supports of the microphone. Probably the best microphone "delivery" is to talk in normal tones and voice level, and work fairly close to the microphone and at an angle to the side.

To the experienced operator, the volume indicator reveals many other things, among which is the proper operation of the speech amplifier and

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the audio circuits. Foreign noises and feed-back which might be present are readily shown up together with their strength. These noises, due to their low frequency, often cannot be detected by a monitor.

COMMERCIAL TYPES

From the above, it may be seen why volume level indicators are considered so indispensable in a broadcasting station. Let's take a look into the commercial field, and see what they use.

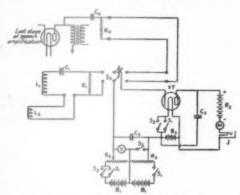


FIG. 2. — THE JENKINS & ADAIR VOLUME LEVEL INDICATOR CIRCUIT

- Western Electric 102-D triode.

- Jenkine & Adair T-48 input transformer.

Ry- Jenkins & Adair 16-point potentiometer, 350,000-ohm.

Ro . - 7-ohm potentiometer.

- 7-ohm rheostat.

 R_4 -- 50-ohm galeanometer damping resistance.

L- Jenkins & Adair 8-48 filter inductance.

- 1-ufd. filter condenser.

- Input switch

S1 - Filament switch.

So - Plate circuit switch.

Closed circuit jack.

G - Galvanometer

The circuit and the constants of a widely used commercial volume level indicator, the Western Electric 518-B Panel, are given in Fig. 1. This panel is calibrated to work from a 500-ohm transmission line.

The input to the triode is controlled by the variable ratio transformer and the three-position potentiometer, thereby greatly extending the range over which the instrument will register. Grid bias is furnished by the voltage drop across the 5-ohm potentiometer and is readily controllable. The 2-ufd. condenser and the choke in the plate circuit of the triode form a filter. The galvanometer is shunted by a 30-ohm galvanometer damping resistance which allows the use of a delicate meter in the plate circuit through which high currents are flowing.

Filament current is controlled by the 272-A key and the 42-N rheostat and is measured through the 248-A jack. The filament and plate circuits are protected by the 35-E and 62-B fuses.

This unit is calibrated in decibels. Such cali-

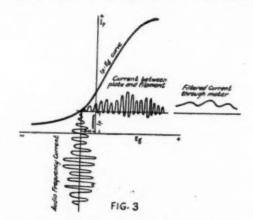
bration, while convenient, is not at all necessary for amateur work. The range is from -10 decibels to +40 decibels in two decibel steps. The level is read as the algebraic sum of the readings of the meter, the potentiometer, and the rotary

The diagram of the Jenkins & Adair volume level indicator is given in Fig. 2. The only major difference between this panel and the Western Electric 518-B is that in this unit the input to the triode is entirely controlled by a potentiometer. The range is from +20 decibels to -10decibels, also in two decibel steps.

R.C.A. and other companies manufacture volume level indicators, but generally these are closely similar to the two described.

THEORY OF OPERATION

The principles underlying the volume level indicator are well known to all of us. A voicefrequency alternating current is very complex, varying in amplitude and component frequencies. The volume level is proportional to the instantaneous amplitude of this alternating current. So, to indicate this volume level, a triode employing plate detection and working on the lower knee of the plate-current grid-voltage curve is coupled to the last stage of speech amplification. The increments of the plate current are read by a suitable meter, after being more or less filtered to make the current through the meter more closely



proportional to the instantaneous amplitude of the audio frequency current. These actions are graphically illustrated in Fig. 3.

AMATEUR TYPES

The amateur usually prefers to stray from the beaten path and design his apparatus to fit his needs, so let us outline the "innards" of the volume level indicator. The essentials of a volume level indicator are:

1. A means of coupling, which will effect the speech amplifier as little as possible.

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(A) An impedance-resistance coupling is illustrated in Fig. 4A. This scheme utilizes the primary of the output transformer of the audio frequency stage to which the volume indicator is coupled as the impedance.

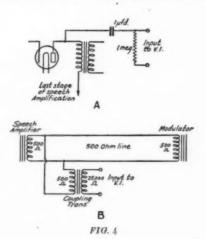
(B) Where a transmission line is used to couple the speech amplifier to the modulator, transformer coupling may be used as illustrated in Fig. 4B. The primary of the coupling transformer should match the impedance of the transmission line which is usually 500 ohms. This method is used in most commercial volume level indicators.

2. A method of limiting the increments of the plate current to values such that the indicating meter will conveniently register them. This may be done:

(A) By controlling the input to the triode. This is commonly accomplished in two ways: (a) by a potentiometer, as in the Jenkins & Adair panel in Fig. 2; or (b) by varying the ratio of the coupling, as in the Western Electric 518-B panel in Fig. 1.

(B) By varying the detecting power of the triode. This is usually accomplished by varying the grid bias as in Fig. 5.

3. A triode and its associated apparatus. The triode may be a Type '99 or a Type '01-A, for battery operation, or - for a.c. operation a Type '27. If greater variation of plate current for a given input is desired, a Type '40 would make an excellent tube. This tube is nearly similar in characteristics to the Western Electric 102-D



triode. In fact, almost any tube on hand may be used with more or less success. The associated apparatus consists of: (a) grid bias and a means of controlling it. (Grid bias may be obtained by a "C" battery and a potentiometer, or by resistance drop (as in Figs. 1 and 2) or by any other conventional method); and (b) filament and

plate power supply, which may or may not be the power supply of the speech amplifier. Also, the proper means of controlling it, such as switches and rheostats for the filament supply.

4. A filter, which in simpler installations consists simply of a large condenser shunted from ground to the plate of the triode. More elaborate panels have an inductance in series with the plate

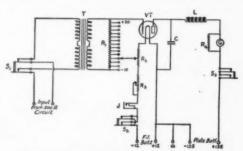


FIG. 5. - CONNECTIONS FOR THE MODU-LOMETER

C4 - 1-ufd. coupling condenser.

R₄ — 1-megohm grid leak.
S₃ — Three-pole single-throw switch, any type.
The remaining components have the same values as given in Fig. 1, page 9, QST, August, 1929.

lead directly after the tube in addition to the condenser, as in Figs. 1 and 2.

5. An indicating meter, which is usually either:

(A) a low-reading milliammeter, or

(B) a galvanometer. A very sensitive instrument should be shunted by a galvanometer damping resistance of 30 or 50 ohms.

By following the above outline, the amateur may design a volume level indicator to fit his own particular needs.

The modulometer, which no amateur radio-phone station should be without, can readily be made to put its spare time in as a volume level indicator. Fig. 5 illustrates a suggested way of doing this, by the addition of a small switch and a simple input circuit to be built into the speech amplifier. The type of coupling used is the one outlined under 1(A), and the method of limiting the variation of plate current to values that the indicating meter will register is that outlined under 2(B). The grid bias is now measured by the voltmeter. This voltmeter will be handy in keeping the unit in calibration. The unit could be operated from the speech amplifier power supply during service as a volume indicator, and so save the portable batteries for general use as a modulometer.

The diagram of another suggested volume indicator is given in Fig. 6. This volume indicator uses an a.c. operated tube, the Type '27, and could be operated from the same power supply as the speech amplifier. This volume indicator

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is to be coupled to a transmission line, as outlined under 1(B). A transmission line should be used if the speech amplifier and transmitter are very far apart. The potentiometer is used to control the triode input.

Small dials with easily read scales should be fitted on the grid bias control and the triode input control, if used. The grid bias control should be mounted front-of-panel, as it requires frequent adjustment, but it is best to place the triode input control behind the panel to protect it against accidental manipulation or the inquir-



THE JENKINS & ADAIR VOLUME LEVEL INDICATOR

ing fingers of little brother, since a different adjustment would throw the calibration off entirely.

The volume indicator may be built directly into the speech amplifier panel as a part of the speech equipment. If a converted modulometer is used, it should be mounted separately with some plug-in method to couple it to the speech amplifier, allowing instant use as either modulometer or volume level indicator.

CALIBRATION

The first step in calibrating the volume level indicator is to determine the maximum volume level which may be used without causing distortion

To determine the level at which distortion first occurs, some means of constant amplitude sound input must be provided. To accomplish this, a vacuum-tube audio oscillator may be coupled directly to the input circuit of the speech amplifier, or a telephone unit in the plate circuit of the audio oscillator may be mounted on the microphone as illustrated on page 11 of the August, 1929, QST. The frequency of the audio oscillator should be around 500 to 800 cycles, as this is about the average of voice frequencies.

With constant amplitude sound input and with volume level indicator, speech amplifier, and transmitter operating, we are ready to proceed.

The gain control on the speech amplifier should be advanced until distortion first occurs. On a well-designed transmitter, this point is where the modulator first starts to draw grid current. When the level at which distortion first occurs is found, the gain control should be retarded a point or two. This is the maximum level to be delivered to the modulator hereafter.

With volume indicators using the method of controlling the variations of plate current outlined under 2(B), the detecting power of the triode is varied by varying the grid bias until the plate circuit meter reads some convenient value half or two-thirds scale.

With volume indicators controlling the plate current variations as outlined under 2(A), however, we must first set out grid bias to some convenient value around the point of best detection The point of greatest detection can be found by reducing the input to the triode to a low value

and adjusting the grid bias for maximum plate current. Vary the triode input control until the meter in the plate circuit reads some convenient value half or two-thirds seale. With this type of volume indicator, both the maximum (excited) and minimum (unexcited) plate current can be adjusted so as to make them stand at easily remembered round numbers.

The volume indicator is now calibrated and ready for use. The reading of the plate circuit meter with maximum

volume level (reading without excitation) and the bias voltage (if known) should be recorded. For example, with a meter graduated from 0 to 100,

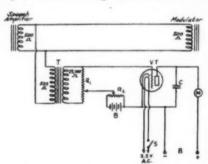


FIG. 6.— A PRACTICAL AMATEUR LEVEL INDICATOR VOLUME

T - Input transformer (500-ohm primary; 25.000-ohm secondary).

R1 - High resistance potentiometer (25,000 ohm or 50,000 ohm).

- 200- or 400-ohm potentiometer.

M - 0 to 1 milliammeter.

C — 2-µfd. filter condenser (value not critical).

VT — Type '27 triode.

B — "C" battery for grid bias supply.

S - Filament switch.

the maximum might be 60, the minimum 5, and the grid bias — 1.1 volts.

Each time we use the volume indicator hereafter, we must see that the initial conditions are fairly well duplicated. With our example, after bringing the filament and plate voltage to the proper values, the reading of the meter in the plate circuit without excitation should be 5. If

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What Feeling Exists Between American and Foreign Amateurs?

By Clarence E. Brockert*

HE feeling existing between American and foreign amateurs is a feature of amateur radio the writer has long wished to investigate. Opportunity for such an investigation came while attending the University of Wisconsin. The results are presented herewith, and it is hoped they will be found of as much interest to others as they were to the writer.

In conducting the investigation, questionnaires were sent to two hundred amateurs who were known to have held foreign contact, and who, it was believed, were capable of answering the questions as fully and comprehensively as possible; 102 of the questionnaires were answered, and upon 100 of these were based the conclusions which follow

TABLE I

Question 1. What kind of feeling arose in you when you first worked this man

foreign country):		
Mutual	97	%
Indifferent	2	%
Wook	1	0%

Question 2. Would you feel right if the U.S. went to war against this man's country?

Yes	7.	4%
No	56.	2%
Uncertain	36.	4%

Question 3. Did you feel you had an unbiased and absolute feeling toward this man politically, socially and economically?

(a) Politically:

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	No				0	12.	1%
	Uncertain					13.	1%
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Uncertain						15.	6%

Question 4. Do you think that through the medium of amateur radio better international relations will be encouraged?

Yes	0			81.15%
No				1.03%
Uncertain				17.82%

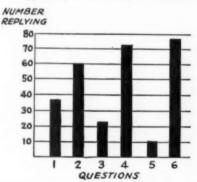
Question 5. Do you think that a course in Radio Ethics in every high school would encourage a better international feeling among the youth of the country?

Yes		*	*	*	*	43.	8%
No						9.	3%
Uncertain						46.	9%

Question 6. Do you think the public fully realizes the benefits and accomplishments of amateur radio?

Yes		0	0		1	%
No					98	%
Uncertain			0	0	1	%

In reality, the problem incorporates a twofold purpose. First, from the standpoint of the American amateur it presents a picture of the reactions supplied by international communication.



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Second, from the standpoint of the educator it presents a basis for the introduction of a course in transoceanic communication in schools. It should be understood that such a course would necessarily take the form of an outside activity, to be supervised possibly by some sort of club, since school programs are usually already filled to capacity with other subject matter, some of which is more or less related.

A careful analysis of the following data will reveal many interesting facts. Note, for example, the wide variance in the answers to Questions 4 and 5. In Question 4, eighty-one percent as-

⁶ Ex-W9OM and W9ERC 401 N. Murray St., Madison,

serted that better international relations could be fostered by the course hereintofore mentioned. Fig. 2 will serve to more fully illustrate this.

The question follows, what of it? It is my objective to construct an outline of a course of study dealing with the advantages derived from

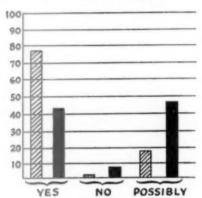


FIG. 2.—SHOWING THE RELATIONSHIP OF AN-SWERS TO QUESTIONS 4 AND 5

Question 4 /////

participation in amateur radio. I think such a course would be warranted from the fact that there was little thought given to that phase of radio as was revealed by the answers to Question 5. It is true that there are already a great number of activities in which boys indulge while out of school, but I feel, and my own experience and that of others bears me out in this, that an unlimited amount of real vitalized instruction, and a better understanding of one's fellows, will thus be most efficiently obtained. If more boys and young men were given this opportunity it would result in a beneficial application of amateur radio toward the end that more harmonious international relationships would exist.

In conclusion, I wish to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to those who so willingly assisted me in obtaining this material. This is additional splendid evidence of the quality of amateur radio cooperation.

The Hawaii Convention

HO should have thought, a few years ago, that a typical "ham" convention would be held in a far away island in the Pacific Ocean. This is exactly what came to pass in Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, on August 8th and 9th; the convention being held under the sponsorship of L. A. Walworth, W6CIB, A.R.R.L. Section Communications Manager.

This first A.R.R.L. Hawaiian Convention was

affectionately dedicated to the memory of Kenneth A. Cantin, former SCM, whose untiring efforts, unexcelled sportsmanship and inspiring personality did more for the cause of amateur radio than any other person in Hawaii.

All the activities of the convention were held in the new Army and Navy Y. M. C. A., through the courtesy of the staff, and no better place could have been chosen — it was an ideal spot for the

Dr. N. S. Fairweather, K6BQJ, presided at the opening session on Friday. The opening exercises included the sending of an Aloha radiogram to Mr. Ray Wilbur, Secretary of the Interior at Washington over the convention's own transmitter, operating under the call, K6EIG, and the message was signed by Territorial Delegate Victor S. K. Houston, who was the guest of honor. Following the opening address by Dr. Fairweather, who welcomed the delegates with well chosen words, Mr. M. A. Mulroney, radio engineer and director of KGU, gave a talk on "Interference" and its problems with particular reference to atmospheric interference. Parker Lewis who spoke in place of W. H. Friedly, absent because of illness, gave an intimate story of the former Radio Club of Hawaii. One of the most interesting speakers of the convention was W. I. Harrington, Mutual Telephone Co., who spoke on the use of ultra-short waves and the great care necessary in handling the equipment at such high frequencies. J. K. Shibata, the last speaker, gave a good talk outlining important facts in tuning transmitters and balancing circuits.

Stunts which are a part of all conventions were carried out and much interest created over the high speed sending and receiving contests.

The convention station K6EIG was active during all the convention time and Jack Shibata certainly deserves a lot of credit for sticking to it as he did. Here are some of the stations that were worked: W6BCH, W6BBP, W6DWI, W6ECN, W6BCK, W6BQK, CE1AH, W7BA, W6EOU. A large number of messages was handled.

The banquet was the big event of the convention, and the chef did justice to his art; whilst D. W. Horstmeyer proved equal to the occasion as the toastmaster. His Honor, Mayor John H. Wilson was one of the guests, and if reports are true another innoculation of "Hamitis" will see a new call letter. Another guest was William L. Holland of Christ Church, New Zealand, who spoke on the value of amateur radio to international friendship. Several resolutions were passed at the convention to be transmitted to Director Babcock as expressions from the Hawaiian Section. The sincere thanks of all go to SCM L. A. Walworth for his untiring efforts and those who assisted him in making this first Hawaii Convention such a huge success. And now Aloha Nui Loa from Hawaiian Amateurs.

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Standard Frequency News and Schedules

HE number of standard frequency schedules that will be on the air after November 1st should make it possible for any amateur to calibrate his new dynatron frequency meter at his own convenience, no matter where he may be located. The Pacific Coast station will transmit its first schedule on that date, starting off at the early hour of 4:00 a.m. (P.S.T.) with a BX schedule for the gang in Oceania and the Far East. W9XAM-W9SI started transmissions September 12th, in spite of the inevitable handicaps surrounding the setting up and adjustment of a standard frequency station on short notice. A number of difficulties were encountered and a few are still being ironed out at this writing. W1XP-W1AXV is giving its usual fine consistent service and will be using a new oscillatoramplifier set by the time this issue of QST is off the press. The complete description of the standard frequency equipment used at Round Hill will be an important feature of the next issue of QST. The transmission of standard frequency signals is an art in itself and the description of W1XP-W1AXV should be of more than usual interest to every amateur.

The frequency standard for the Pacific Coast station has been given a calibration of 100.000 kc. by the Bureau of Standards at Washington, the accuracy of the standard being to within 1 cycle at 100 kc.— the same as that of the one calibrated for W9XAM. A calibration has also been made by the Bureau of Standards on the signals of W1XP-W1AXV so that all units of the A.R.R.L. Standard Frequency System are now using frequency standards which have been calibrated from the National Frequency Standard.

The best procedure for using the standard frequency signals to calibrate a heterodyne frequency meter is that described by George Grammer in the article on the dynatron frequency meter in October QST. Incidentally, this frequency meter is the finest ham frequency measuring gadget we have met up with and anyone who has not read that article from end to end has missed something.

The complete schedules for November and December follow. The schedules for November are as published in October QST with the exception of W1XP-W1AXV's Schedule C, which has been shifted from November 9th to November 16th, and the addition of a W9XAM Schedule C on November 30th. The assignment of the Pacific Coast station's call has been delayed, but there should be no difficulty in identifying the signals. When you hear a "W6X" calling "QST" on the schedules shown below

you will know that Harold Peery and his gang are on the job.

DATES OF TRANSMISSION

Date	Schedule	Station
Nov. 1, Saturday	BX	W6X-
Nov. 2, Sunday	C	W9XAM-W9SI
Nov. 7, Friday	BB	W6X-
	В	W1XP
	A	W9XAM
Nov. 8, Saturday	BX	W9XAM
Nov. 9, Sunday	BB	W9XAM
	C	W6X-
Nov. 14, Friday	C	W6X-
Nov. 16, Sunday	C	W1XP
Nov. 21, Friday	A	W1XP
	B	W9XAM
	В	W6X-
Nov. 28, Friday	BB	W1XP
	В	W9XAM
	A	W6X-
Nov. 29, Saturday	BX	W6X-
Nov. 30, Sunday	C	W9XAM
Dec. 5, Friday	BB	W6X-
	В	W1XP
	A	W9XAM
Dec. 6, Saturday	BX	W9XAM
Dec. 7, Sunday	BB	W9XAM
	C	W6X-
Dec. 12, Friday	C	W6X-
Dec. 14, Sunday	C	W1XP
Dec. 19, Friday	A	W1XP
	В	W9XAM
	В	W6X-
Dec. 26, Friday	BB	W1XP
	B	W9XAM
	A	W6X-
Dec. 27, Saturday	$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{X}$	W6X-
Dec. 28, Sunday	C	W9XAM

STANDARD FREQUENCY SCHEDULES

	day Even le and Fr		Friday and Sunday Afternoons Schedule and Frequency Time							
(p.m.)	A	B	(p.m.)	BB	C					
	kc.	kc.		kc.	kc.					
8:00	3500	7000	4:00	7000	14,000					
8:08	3550	7100	4:08	7100	14,100					
8:16	3600	7200	4:16	7200	14,200					
8:24	3700	7300	4:24	7300	14,300					
8:32	3800		4:32		14,400					
8:40	3900				- 4,					
8:48	4000									

Saturday Morning Schedule and Frequency

Time $(a.m.)$	BX
	kc.
4:00	7000
4:08	7100
4:16	7200
4:24	7300

It is possible that the Pacific Coast station may use the call W6AQG if the special "X" license has not been issued in time for the first scheduled transmission.

The time specified in the schedules is local standard time at the transmitting station. W1XP

uses Eastern Standard Time, W9XAM, Central Standard Time, and W6X-, Pacific Standard Time. Schedule BB transmitted by W1XP is intended particularly for European amateurs and starts at 2100 G.C.T. Schedules BX are transmitted especially for amateurs in Oceania and the Far East. They are transmitted starting at 1000 G.C.T. by W9XAM and at 1200 G.C.T. by W6X-. Reports on these special schedules are particularly desired, not only from overseas hams but from those in the Americas also.

Although the frequencies of the transmitting stations are not guaranteed as to accuracy, every effort is made to keep to within 0.01% of the announced frequencies. Frequent checks on the transmissions are made by laboratories equipped with accurate frequency standards and the transmissions are also checked by the U.S. Department of Commerce monitoring stations.

TRANSMITTING PROCEDURE

The time allotted to each transmission is 8 minutes, divided as follows:

2 minutes — QST QST QST de (station call letters).

3 minutes — Characteristic letter of station, interrupted by call letters. Characteristic letter of W1XP is "G", of W9XAM is "D", and of W6X- is "F".

1 minute — Statement of frequency in kilocycles and announcement of next frequency.

2 minutes — Time allowed to change to next frequency.

THE TRANSMITTING STATIONS

W1XP: Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Round Hill Research, South Dartmouth, Mass., Howard A. Chinn in charge.

W9XAM: Elgin Observatory, Elgin National Watch Co., Elgin, Ill., Frank D. Urie in charge. W6X-: Don Lee Broadcasting System, Los Angeles, Calif., Harold Peery in charge.

Do not forget to QSL the transmissions. All reports should be sent to the A.R.R.L. Standard Frequency System, 1711 Park Street, Hartford, Conn. A record will be made at Headquarters and the report will be then forwarded to the proper station. S. F. report blanks can be obtained from Headquarters, free and postpaid, upon request.

"Make every Friday night Standard Frequency Night."

-- J. J. L.

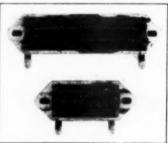
A Non-Inductive Resistor

NEW wire-wound resistor with negligible inductance has been developed by the Ward-Leonard Electric Company, Mt. Vernon, N. Y. The new resistor is known as the "plaque" type, and except for the flat shape and

method of winding the resistance wire on the form, is similar to the other Vitrohm resistors manufactured by this company. They are made in two sizes, as shown in the photograph, the larger having a power dissipation rating of 40 watts and the smaller 25 watts.

In the 40-watt size values of resistance between 0.5 and 9000 ohms can be obtained. Resistances between 0.25 and 4500 ohms are furnished in the 25-watt size. Taps may be brought out under certain conditions.

These resistors may be used in radio circuits where a non-inductive resistor is required. A 70-ohm sample of the 25-watt size was tried out in the QST lab. as a load for a dummy antenna, and at 14,000 kc. apparently had no more inductance than an ordinary 60-watt lamp. The 70-ohm size was used because this represents the average characteristic impedence of most Hertz antennas. Since the change in resistance in heat in these units is negligible it is impossible to measure the power developed by a transmitter by simply measuring the current through the resistor in



the dummy. This cannot be done with an ordinary lamp because the resistance of the lamp is subject to drastic variations with the amount of current flowing through it.

The new plaque resistors should also be excellent as transmitting grid leaks. Ordinary wirewound resistors sometimes try to act as r.f. choke coils and burn out because of circulating currents.

Strays *

Bus wire that has become bent in handling can be straightened easily with the aid of a vise and a heavy pair of pliers. Take the piece to be straightened and clamp one end in the vise. Get a firm grip on the other end with the pliers and give a hard yank. Kinks and bends will disappear.

— W3CA.

Dictaphone operators here at HQ have their troubles. The YL who handles the Information Service letters recently wrote "secure" instead of "cure" in a letter about key clicks. The chap who got it wrote back, "I can do that quite easily now". Hi! So say we all.

Experimenters' Section

Radiophone Reception
By G. H. Vincent, W8RD-W8XB

Y five years of experience with amateur and experimental radiophone work have shown that one of the greatest faults in the average station is the failure to provide a receiver that is reasonably efficient when radiophone signals are to be intercepted. This holds true not only at the average amateur station but also at the college experimental stations where one would naturally expect to find the most efficient receivers.

I believe the amateur neglects this part of the job because he thinks that an entirely different receiver, with a high grade audio system, is required for such work. Experience teaches that any audio system that will bring in c.w. signals of average steadiness will also prove satisfactory for voice reception. In fact a reasonably sharp peak is an advantage, tending to reduce QRM on crowded bands. This leaves only the radio frequency circuit (if any) and the detector circuit to be considered, and since most amateur receivers do not incorporate any radio frequency amplification I will confine my suggestions mostly to the detector circuit.

A sensitive detector tube is absolutely necessary if anything like maximum results are to be obtained. Numerous tests with the ordinary '00-A type of tube have shown that, while very sensitive, it tends to be noisy and most important of all the filament temperature must be kept constant if reasonable stability is expected. The tubes are not very uniform, however, and some makes will be found much more satisfactory than others. A good one is a tremendous improvement over the Type '01-A. Possibly only one tube out of four will be satisfactory on frequencies above 10,000 kc., whereas at least two out of three will be satisfactory on frequencies below 5000 ke. Some of them, of course, tend to squeal or lack stability at the highest frequencies even though they may be (and usually are) perfectly satisfactory on broadcast frequencies.

Assuming that a satisfactory detector tube has been secured the next point is to make sure that it will slide into oscillation with a very slight hiss instead of the "plunk" commonly associated with regenerative receivers. On a well-designed and constructed receiver this is easily accomplished by inserting a variable resistance (fifty thousand to one hundred thousand ohms) in the detector plate circuit and raising the voltage to the point where thirty to fifty volts reaches the plate when at least two-thirds of the resistance is in series. This variable resistor can be used as an oscillation control if shunted by a condenser of 0.25 to 1.0

 μ fd. capacity but my personal preference is for capacity feed-back, varying the resistance only to secure best results with different inductances.

The grid leak resistance, of course, is an important feature and most of these tubes operate best with 4- to 7-megohm leaks. Fringe howl does not occur very frequently, and is less likely to show up if the first audio transformer has a fairly high ratio, such as 6 to 1. When encountered it can often be eliminated by shunting the secondary of the first audio transformer with a 2- to 3-megohm leak or by re-adjusting the detector plate circuit resistor. By-pass condensers should also be connected from each high voltage lead to ground, particularly if the batteries are to be used until the internal resistance becomes fairly high.

Assuming the receiver is fitted with a sensitive detector and operating in a smooth manner, it will be found advantageous to use the zero-beat method of reception on weak radiophone signals particularly if QRM from other stations is not bad. Many amateur radiophones, of course, will not stand this method of reception because the carrier suffers too much frequency modulation but a large percentage of the transmitters now on 14,200 kc. and many of those on 3500 kc. will stand it, with a considerable increase in signal strength resulting.

Few vernier dials have a sufficiently low ratio to make such fine tuning easy, consequently I always incorporate a small vernier condenser in parallel with the main tuning condenser. This vernier unit is usually made from a two-plate Hammarlund Midget in which the spacing has been increased to three-eighths inch. This is just about the right capacity to make zero beat tuning easy while at the same time enough capacity variation is provided to cover the frequency creep on the average transmitter of reasonably good design.

Most amateurs probably have not constructed receivers incorporating tuned radio frequency circuits but many of them have used one Type '22 as a coupling tube. My general purpose receiver originally used a tube of this type but I find that a '24 gives much better results. When the antenna coupling tube first came into fairly general use there was much difference of opinion as to whether there was any real signal gain through it, but when a Type '24 tube is used there is no question but that some gain is effected. My own impression is that the signal strength is doubled or tripled as compared with the same receiver using plain capacitive or inductive coupling. The filament of this tube can, of course, be heated from the regular storage battery, but since it must be kept lighted all the time the station is on the air I provide a filament transformer for this tube

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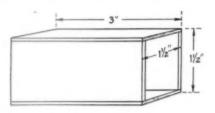
their nation ead of p who easily alone. No trouble is experienced with hum if the transformer is kept at a reasonable distance from the detector circuit and a twisted pair used to carry the current.

If a loud-speaker is to be used, many of the old discarded units will be found superior to the newest reproducers for voice reception only. Voice frequencies do not as a rule cover much territory and the audio system or reproducer that is necessary to bring in a full orchestra will produce a lot of extra noise when speech alone is to be considered.

An All-Purpose Filament Transformer By S. M. Douglas, Jr., W4ACB

Here is a transformer that will give a variety of voltages that will be found useful around the shack, and also one that can be used as a "spare" in case the main one goes south, or west, or wherever it is that transformers go when the windings get tired of carrying the juice.

The items needed for its construction are few, and it is very easy to build. The writer used

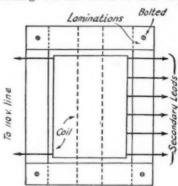


FORM FOR WINDING COIL
FIG. 1.

four pieces of cigarbox wood as a winding form, cut three inches long and one and one-half inches wide, as shown in Fig. 1. These were tacked together with small brads to hold them in place in the form of a box, then the whole thing wrapped with a couple of layers of waxed paper. The paper was put on to allow easy removal of the wooden form.

Number 24 d.c.c. enameled wire is used for the primary. In case this size does not happen to be handy, it can be purchased at almost any automobile generator repair shop. It will be found that with the form dimensions given above, about one-half to three-quarters of a pound of wire will suffice. There are approximately thirty turns to the inch, and therefore it will be possible to get about ninety turns on the three inches of layer. Start at one end and wind to the other, then wrap another layer of paper around the coil and continue back to the beginning, then another layer of paper, and so on until the whole spool of wire is used, or until there are approximately 650 turns.

This finishes the primary, and it should be well wrapped with waxed paper and prepared for the secondary. This is wound with number 18 d.c.c. enameled wire. For the two 7½-volt windings, use fifty turns each with a center tap at the twenty-fifth turn on the first winding and no center tap on the second. Combined, these two will give 15 volts, with center tap. The two 2½-volt windings will take about 15 turns each. One



DETAIL OF MOUNTING ON LAMINATED

FIG. 2

A shell-type core taken from an old transformer is used, or one may be built up from transformer iron luminations. The cross section of the core is 1½ by 1½ inches.

of these windings is center-tapped at the seventh or eighth turn. These will give a combined voltage of 5 volts, center-tapped.

The whole business is now wrapped with good waxed paper, varnished cambric, or electrician's tape, and is ready for the laminated core. I used the core of an old transformer, and found no difficulty in getting the coil on it. However, if such is not available, one can be made from some straight pieces of stock. First, put the center pieces in as in Fig. 2, then the tops, and lastly the

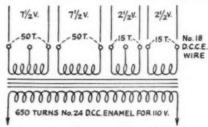


FIG. 3. — SCHEMATIC DRAWING OF THE TRANSFORMER

The addition of taps on the primary winding will help in securing the correct voltages from the secondaries under different load conditions. A good way to arrange the taps would be to bring them out every 25 turns, starting with the 600th turn, and making the primary winding have a total of 700 turns.

side pieces. These should be alternated all around and, when all are in place, bolted together securely. If the transformer hums when it is con-

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nected in the circuit, drive some wedges in the center to make it tight fitting. Care should be taken that the iron pieces of the core do not short-circuit any of the windings.

When completed, the whole thing can be mounted in a metal box, and a piece of bakelite used on one side for a panel, to which all leads are brought out to binding posts. The leads should be tagged for identification. After connecting all the leads to the posts, fill the can with some battery compound, such as wax compound off the tops of old "B" batteries. Do not use hard rubber for the panel as the hot compound will ruin it.

After the compound has cooled and hardened, the box can be painted to match the other apparatus and the transformer is ready for operation. Of course before putting the whole thing in the box it will be well to test the windings to see if they are delivering the proper voltages. It will be found that the voltages will vary with the size of the coil.

This may be some trouble to a lot of hams, but the writer likes to experiment and this transformer is one of his experiments. It works well and the total cost is not over \$1.50, if most of the parts are to be found in the shaek's junk box.

A 5-METER VARIABLE CAPACITY

"If for no other reason than the fact that the 5-meter band' occupies 4000 ke, it is highly desirable to cover only 7 cm, with a given inductance. The photograph shows plainly what has

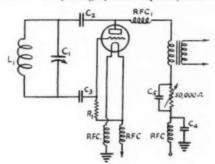


FIG. 4.— THE 56-MC. ULTRAUDION RECEIVER CIRCUIT

Li -2 turns of No. 8 copper wire. Coil is 2" in diameter and the turns are 1" apart

C1 - See text and photograph

 $C_2 = 200 \ \mu\mu fd$.

 $C_3 - 100 \mu \mu f d$.

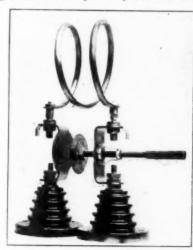
 $C_4 - 1.0 \text{ µfd.}$ $C_5 - 4.0 \text{ µfd.}$

R1 - 7 megohms

RFC₁ — 180 turns No. 32 d.s.c. wound in 10 sections spaced at 14" intervals on 34" glass tube

RFC: - 15 turns No. 20 d.c.c. on 1/2" glass tube

been evolved after a lot of experimenting and picking up of signals over a distance of 170 miles when they were found to be terribly sharp and difficult to hold. The circular copper rotating disc is $1\frac{1}{4}$ " in diameter and is the movable plate. The stator is $1\frac{1}{2}$ " across by $2\frac{5}{8}$ " from top to bottom. The inductance is fitted with two G.R. plugs and it can be replaced by others for differing



THE 56-MC, TUNING CONDENSER AND COIL

frequencies. An extension handle of hard rubber 10" in length is recommended to get the field well away from the operator. The recommended circuit is the ultraudion and with an extremely low-loss tube socket and a tube with good characteristics there will be no trouble in getting down to 1 meter with this arrangement. The writer has had a screen-grid tube (Mazda SG215 with grid plate capacity of 0.0045 $\mu\mu$ fd.) down to 4.9 meters easily."

- E. G. Somerset, G2DT

REMOTE CONTROL

"The diagram of Fig. 5 shows a keying system that has been in use here for some time. This is a nice arrangement for those who want to use remote control.

"When the key is pressed relay No. 2 closes, lighting the filament of the Type '80 tube. When the filament reaches the correct operating temperature current flows in the plate circuit, closing relay No. 1, which is in the a.c. line to the power transformer. After the key is opened it takes four to six seconds for the a.c. line relay No. 1 to kick out. Relay No. 1 should be a good one which will operate on 50 to 100 milliamperes. The other relays are made from automobile generator cutouts that can be bought at any garage. The Type '80 is used as a time-delay tube and 6 to 8 volts is put on the filament. The greater the filament voltage the longer the a.c. line relay will stay in.

"Relay No. 2 is not necessary if the Type '80 tube is near the key. With a long line, however, the filament would get little current because there

would be a heavy voltage drop. With the relay, any length of line may be used, provided the filament battery is near the tube.

"The keying relay, No. 3, is placed across the filament of the Type '80, and as the key is

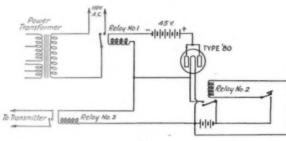


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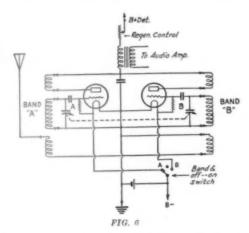
pressed the keying relay also responds. The key is held down a few seconds to start the a.c. line and after relay No. 1 closes, the set may be keyed in the usual way. If the key is left open the transmitter automatically shuts itself off after a few seconds."

- Francis H. Thisse, W8BJI

ANOTHER STUNT FOR CHANGING BANDS

"Several ways of rapidly changing from one band to another have been presented in *QST*, and an additional method is shown in Figs. 6 and 7. The idea is to use two separate detector tuning circuits with the same audio amplifier and regeneration control.

"The tuning condenser is a two-gang affair,



each section having enough plates removed to satisfactorily spread the band on which it is to tune. Since one shaft turns both condensers, only one tuning dial is required. To change from one band to another it is only necessary to set the filament switch so the proper detector tube gets filament current — a change which only requires a second and which can be made from the front of the panel.

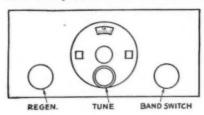
"The idea can be extended of course to cover three bands by using a three-gang condenser and three detector circuits. Chaps who dislike the bother of plugging in coils (and perhaps also condensers) will find this about the simplest possible method of changing bands in a hurry. Of course a little additional equipment is necessary, but the parts are inexpensive."

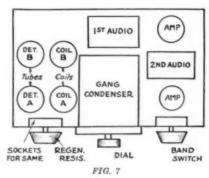
- R. C. Alexander, W6ESO-W6DPW

MAGNIFYING THE DIAL SCALE

"I am one of those fellows who has to wear 'spees' because of rather bad eyesight, so have utilized a little stunt that may be of use to others in the ham game.

"The ordinary vernier dial used on so many





ham receivers has a scale of comparatively small figures and divisions. To make those figures and divisions clear and easily read from my operating table which is located some three feet from the receiver, I have made use of a lens from an old flashlight to enlarge them. The attached diagram explains how it's done. The lens is inclined at an angle determined by the distance from the operator and the height in relation to the eye level. This particular dial is one of the old Pilot Kilograds but the same idea can be applied to many of the other similar dials commonly used.

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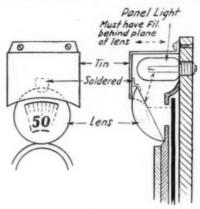


FIG. 8

subdued light — something conducive to nice QSO's! Might come in handy for the boys who work the YL's!"

- H. Guy Moats, W8AE

LOW LOSS COILS

Director Babcock suggests the following method of making coil material of the type that used to be sold "by the inch" some years ago.

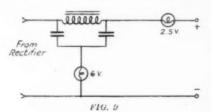
Take a 5 x 7 non-curling photographic film and remove the sensitized emulsion by soaking the film in a mixture of hot water and washing soda or household ammonia. The film is then wound around a 2-inch mailing tube and the lapped-over portions cemented together with collodion or one of the varnishes. Two of the films will just cover a 10-inch mailing tube, which is an easy size to handle. After the ends are firmly set, the winding is put on, using No. 22 d.c.c. wire, with a space between each turn equal to the diameter of the wire. The coil is then painted with lacquer, collodion or other coil dope and allowed to dry thoroughly.

If a spiral mailing tube has been used it is a very simple matter to remove it from inside the coil. Catch the inside point of the tube material with a pair of flatnose pliers and then twist against the lay; the whole thing will unwind and come out without any trouble.

PROTECTING THE RECTIFIER

"If the transmitting tube stops oscillating or one of the filter condensers blows the filaments of the rectifier tubes are likely to go west in a hurry because of the heavy current, unless the operator gets the power switch open pronto or unless some protective device is used. The latter is the safest method, and it is quite simple and inexpensive.

"Fig. 9 shows how two flash-light or panellight bulbs may be used to provide the necessary protection for the rectifier. The lamp in series with the filter condensers may be one of the very small flash-light bulbs (6-volt size is satisfactory) since it carries practically no current and its only



function is to immediately burn out if one of the filter condensers blow. The lamp in series with the positive high voltage, however, must be capable of carrying the plate current taken by the transmitter without blowing, yet should burn out if the current goes much above normal. The 2½-volt lamps will be better in this position than the 6-volt size if the current is 100 milliamperes or more."

- H. E. Hurley, W6CKS

INDUCTIVE GRID LEAKS

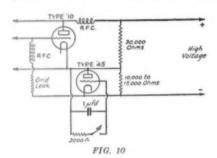
Norman B. Krim, W2AJP, writes that he ran into a rather unusual condition with his Type '10 Hartley outfit which resulted in extremely high plate current and a very poor note on the 14,000-ke. band, although the set was perfectly normal on 3500 and 7000 ke. On the two latter bands, the plate current with the set unloaded was in the vicinity of 50 milliamperes, while on 14,000 ke. the current would not go below 115 ma. Naturally the r.f. chokes came under suspicion, but experimenting with different sizes and shapes brought very little relief.

It was noticed that the grid leak was very hot on the band in question, indicating the presence of r.f. in the leak, and this led to the idea that perhaps the grid condenser and leak together formed a tuned circuit which was resonant near the operating frequency. Substitution of a grid condenser of higher capacity confirmed this conclusion, because the transmitter began to act as it should on 14,000 kc. and a similar "bad spot" appeared at about 9000 kc.

So many things of this sort can and do happen that the success most amateurs have with their equipment is little short of surprising. The natural tendency is to blame the rectifier-filter system if the note is poor, but at least 99% of the poor notes heard on the air could be greatly improved with a little thoughtful and patient "operating" on the transmitter itself.

CLICKLESS KEYING

A rather unusual form of blocked-grid keying is suggested by A. S. Waterbury, W8BCL, of Perry, N. Y. Absolute elimination of clicks is claimed for this method, and it has made possible the operation of W8BCL's transmitter with a



sensitive broadcast receiver in the next room without interference. The diagram is shown in Fig. 10.

The Type '45 tube in the keying circuit furnishes the time lag. Ordinary practice with this form of keying would be to connect the key directly across the 15,000-ohm resistor, which because of the method of connecting it in the circuit biases the grid of the oscillator tube sufficiently to prevent the flow of plate current when the key is open. This extra bias disappears when the key is closed.

In this circuit, however, the bias resistor is in parallel with the '45, which acts as a variable resistance. A probable explanation of the action of the tube is that during the time the key is open the 1-µfd. condenser becomes charged, which automatically regulates the grid potential and thus limits the flow of plate current. When the key is pressed an appreciable amount of time is required for the condenser to discharge through the 3000-ohm resistor, and this in turn varies the grid potential at a comparatively slow rate, with the result that the bias on the oscillator drops slowly to a final value, during which period oscillations build up. The time lag thus provided eliminates the click when the key is pressed. When the key is opened an appreciable period of time is required for charging the condenser, with the result that there is again a time lag.

A GOOD RELAY

While looking over my junk box I found an old Yaxley Automatic Power Control which looked as though it might have possibilities as a keying relay. The original circuit of the Power Control is shown in Fig. 11 (A). The two parts of the armature are insulated from each other.

To convert the Power Control into a keying relay, simply remove the wires to the plugs and connect the contacts as in Fig. 11 (B). There are

four wires to solder, and these are soldered in pairs.

The contacts may be adjusted by means of screws provided for that purpose. On testing the relay I found it would follow my bug at its fastest speed.

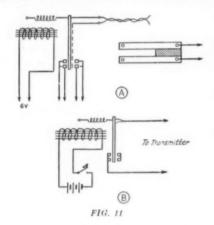
- John Payne, W1CCP

ANOTHER USE FOR THE AUTOMATIC POWER CONTROL

Sheldon E. Brink, W8DXJ, suggests that the same type of relay can be used to shift the 'phones to the monitor when transmitting.

Referring to Fig. 11 (A), the leads from the two armatures are connected to the headphones, the set of contacts nearest the magnet to the output of the receiver, and the back contacts to the output of the monitor. A switch is placed in one of the leads from the 6-volt battery to the magnet. When the receiver is in operation the switch is closed, connecting the 'phones to the receiver. To shift the 'phones to the monitor the switch is opened.

If the filaments of the tubes in the receiver are ordinarily turned off during transmission, the change can be made automatic by making the switch control both the receiver filaments and the



magnet in the relay. By using one blade of a double-pole double-throw switch for the 110-volt line and the other blade for the 6-volt battery, it is possible to automatically connect the 'phones to the monitor when the transmitter is turned on, and by throwing the switch the other way connect the 'phones to the receiver and turn on the filaments.

Strays

A bell-ringing transformer can be used as a microphone transformer for a single-button mike if a regular transformer is not handy.

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W5ZG-W5VY

IIIS station is the result of years of planning and thought and incorporates some innovations that facilitate convenient and efficient operation.

It is owned by H. C. Sherrod, Jr., Galveston, Texas, and is located in two rooms adjacent to the garage at his house and is entirely a "one man" outfit. Sherrod first broke into the game back in 1920 under the call 5VY, with a small spark transmitter. This was soon changed to c.w. with four UV-202's, operating on 190 meters. The call 5ZG was acquired in 1923. With the advent of high-

and the intermediate amplifier operate from the same filament supply. Although the intermediate amplifier uses two Type '10 tubes in parallel no overload is placed on the filament of the oscillator as the Type '10 tubes operate very well with only six volts on the filaments. This has proved to be both economical and efficient. The quartz plate controlling the oscillator is mounted in a shock-proof holder and the whole enclosed in a heat-proof box. Two twelve-volt bulbs supplied from a transformer having primary control maintain the quartz plate at practically constant temperature.



W5ZG-W5VY
A neat and convenient station layout

frequency work the transmitter was rebuilt, using two UX-210's, operating on 41 meters. Since that time various small transmitters have been used while the preparations for the present outfit were being made.

TRANSMITTERS AND POWER SUPPLY

The transmitter to the left of the switchboard is crystal controlled and operates on a frequency of 7130 kilocycles using the call letters W5ZG. This is the main transmitter and the one to which primary consideration has been given.

The crystal oscillator is a Type '12-A and operites on 3565 kilocycles. Both the crystal oscillator No thermostat is necessary thanks to the very good regulation of the domestic supply. This has proven to be a very satisfactory arrangement and much favorable comment has been received regarding the purity and constancy of the signals from W5ZG.

The intermediate amplifier consists of two Type '10 tubes in parallel. Because this stage is operated as a frequency doubler very high grid bias is necessary, the grids being biased beyond the cut-off point. With a plate voltage of 500 efficient operation of this amplifier requires 125 volts for grid bias. Both the crystal oscillator and intermediate amplifier receive plate voltage from a

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Westinghouse 500-volt 100-watt machine. Incidentally this motor-generator has been in regular service for nine years and still seems to be going strong. The voltage-dividing resistance shown in the diagram as R_3 permits reduction of the gen-

starter switch used to start and stop the transmitter. The circuit-closing switch on the Vibroplex is mounted on a small square of bakelite which is bolted to the metal base of the key. The bolt holding the bakelite is of course in contact with

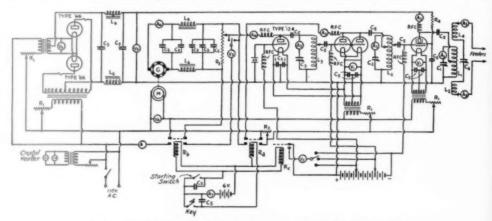


FIG. 1.—THE CRYSTAL CONTROLLED TRANSMITTER AT W5ZG-5VY

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$L_3 - 8$	**	8.6	4.4	44	8.6	44	4.6	A4 - 0-100 d.c. milliammeter
$L_4 - 5$	**	8.6	14	**	84	56	**	As - 0-3 thermocouple ammeter
$L_5 - 5$	**	**	4.6	44	66	4.6	4.4	At - 0-500 d.c. milliammeter
RFC -	200	turi	ns N	o. 22 d	l.e.c. of	n 1"	form	A7 - 0-10 d.c. ammeter
$L_6 - 30$	hen	ry.	310-1	millian	npere	choke	28	A : - 0-30 a.c. ammeter
$C_1, C_2 -$	- 500	1444	fd.					$V_1 - 0$ -15 a.c. voltmeter
C3. C4 -	- 100	10 µ	ufd.					V ₂ — 0-250 d.c. voltmeter
C_5-1	ufd.							V ₃ — 0-500 d.c. voltmeter
$R_1 - B_1$	radle	y R	adio	stat				V ₄ — 0-150 a.c. voltmeter
R2 - 6-	ohm	rhee	estat					V 5 - 0-2000 d.c. voltmeter
$R_3 - 25$.000	ohn	ns					V ₆ - 0-10 a.c. voltmeter
$R_4 - 10$								R_s — Keying Relay
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Re - Voltmeter Relay

erator voltage for the crystal oscillator. This arrangement was used in preference to a series resistance in the plate of the oscillator tube because of the greatly improved regulation obtainable. The plate voltage supplied to the crystal oscillator is 250 volts and the plate current is 50 to 60 milliamperes. Although the intermediate amplifier current is 150 to 175 milliamperes the voltage regulation of the oscillator plate voltage is less than two percent.

It will be noticed that the keying relay R_a has two sets of contacts. One set is used for keying the transmitter; the other set of contacts is across the variable resistance R_2 , a six ohm receiving-type rheostat. This rheostat is in series with the 110-volt supply to all of the filament transformers and permits absolute balance of the filament voltages whether the key is up or down. Though of secondary importance this feature is desirable as it prolongs the life of the tubes and theoretically contributes to constancy of the emitted frequency.

Another "wrinkle" which contributes no small amount of facility to the rapid operation is the

the base of the key and also serves as a contact point for the remounted circuit-closing switch, The arm of the switch, the base of the key, and the key contacts constitute the three lines from the key as shown in the diagram. A flip of the circuit closing switch with a finger starts the transmitter by closing the relays marked $R_{\rm b}$ and R_c . R_c is a relay to connect the voltmeter which shows the grid voltages on the various stages by means of the three-point switch. Rb is the starting relay proper. This relay also has two sets of contacts. A small set of contacts is in series with the high voltage supply and disconnects it immediately upon opening the starting switch. This prevents the voltage on the crystal oscillator from rising while the filament of the oscillator tube is cooling. This is necessary because the filament cools much more rapidly than the generator slows down, and as the current through the tube diminishes the voltage across it increases to a point where the quartz plate might be endangered by a voltage surge. The installation of this device is not absolutely necessary but precludes any possi-

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bility of ruining the quartz plate by puncture. The loss of three such plates at W5ZG by various accidents causes the owner to be very solicitous of

THE TRANSMITTERS AND POWER PANEL

The large transmitter on the left is the 75-watt crystal-controlled outfit. The switch panel on the right controls all the power supply equipment for both transmitter and receiver. On top of this unit is the low-power transmitter which is used for experimenting with various circuits.

the welfare of the present incumbent. A set of half-inch silver contacts on the same relay opens and closes the 110-volt supply to the transmitter.

The final stage of the transmitter consists of a Type '60 screen grid 75-watt tube. The screen voltage is obtained from the high voltage rectifier by the series resistance method. This is preferable to other systems as the screen voltage will vary in direct proportion to the voltage applied to the plate of the Type '60. The plate voltage of this tube can be set at any value between zero and 2000 volts, but more than 1500 volts is seldom used.

The antenna stage is coupled to a half-wave Zeppelin antenna having quarter-wave feeders. This radiating system has proved to be the most efficient tried.

To be doubly sure that the transmitter is always operating on its proper frequency a frequency meter is permanently mounted on the wall just below the antenna lead-in and gives a constant check on the frequency being emitted. This instrument uses a low-capacity circuit and has a frequency range of 6800 to 7500 kilocycles.

Immediately above the frequency meter on the wall is the change-over switch which connects the radiating system to whichever transmitter is used.

Mounted on the top of the power control board is the small transmitter which is used to test various circuits, ideas, etc. This outfit is never the same from one week to another and no definite description can be given. At the time of this writing it is a Hartley circuit with 225 volts of "B" battery on the plate of one Type '45 tube. With an input of four and a half watts the best DX is W9AXU at Glencoe, Illinois. He was successfully worked and gave a report of QSA3 p.d.c. This transmitter is entirely battery supplied. This form of power supply is being tested, as the installation of an emergency transmitter independent of the local power supply is being considered.

The large panel at the right of the main transmitter is the power control board. This panel controls all circuits necessary for the operation of the transmitters and receivers. Like all of the rest it is of quarter-inch bakelite. The three-pole doublethrow switch in the top center connects the key and starter switch to either transmitter it is desired to use. The four-pole double-throw switch below this and to the right, controls the battery charger, "A" power for the receiver, and the "B" eliminator from which the receivers ordinarily operate. When to the right this switch connects the storage battery being used to the two receivers and turns power on the "B" eliminator. When to the left the receivers are disconnected from the "A" power, the "B" eliminator cut off and the battery being used placed on charge. A homemade five-ampere charger using a Tungar bulb is behind the panel. The double-pole double-throw switch at the upper left selects one of two storage batteries available for use on the receiving equipment. The lower double-pole double-throw switch connects the remaining battery to the transmitter. This is necessary to operate the relays already mentioned. The large double-pole single-throw switch on the bottom center of this panel is connected in the power supply for the entire station. It is within easy reach of the operator when sitting at the operating desk. The knob and pointer in the center of the panel immediately above the main line switch controls an eight-pole double-throw switch which connects the receivers to either the "B" eliminator or 90 volts of battery which is also available

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in case of an emergency. The meter in the upper right corner is the charge-discharge ammeter, a 20–0–20 ampere Westinghouse affair salvaged some years ago from an automobile that had outgrown its usefulness. The meter to the upper left is a 0–750 watt Roller-Smith instrument and shows the power being drawn from the city mains by the station. With the exception of the small 0- to 2-ampere Weston meter on the panel of the short-wave receiver all of the indicating instruments are Jewells. This of course does not include the two instruments on the power control board which have already been described.

Following is a table of the values in the various circuits when the transmitter is in operation:

	Plate Volts	Fil. Volts					(Feeders and: Antenna Current
Crystal							
Oscil-					4.0		
lator	250	- 6	22	.5	50	-3	
Int. Amp	. 500	6	125		175	3.5	
Final							
Amp.	1500	10	90		90	5	2.5
		550;	Line	1.	olts, 110	; Line	Amps., 5.2;

RECEIVING EQUIPMENT

Two receiving sets are used at this station. At the left of the operating desk is the short-wave receiver which, by the use of plug-in coils, covers

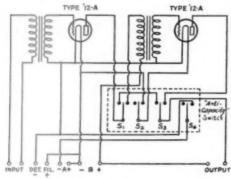


FIG. 2. — THE AUDIO AMPLIFIER SWITCHING SYSTEM

all of the amateur bands. The coils used are of the fixed-tickler type and regeneration is controlled by a 150- $\mu\mu$ fd, condenser. This is the conventional arrangement used by many of the amateur fraternity and needs no further explanation.

Immediately below the filament ammeter is an "anti-capacity" switch which is wired as a selector switch for either the first or the first and second stages. This switch incorporates full filament control and permits rapid changing from the first to the second stage.

A diagram of this arrangement is shown in Fig. 2. For the sake of convenience the blades of the control switch are numbered S_1 , S_2 , S_3 and S_4

from left to right. When all blades are to the left the output is connected to the first stage, the filaments of the detector (if control of screen grid stages is desired the filaments may be connected



THE OPERATING TABLE

The receiver on the left is the homemade short-wave outfit, using a detector and two stages of audio amplification. The Grebe CR-8 and its RORK amplifier are used fgr intermediate and long wave reception. The revamped Vibroplex and a straight key are in the foreground.

in parallel with the detector filament shown on the diagram) and first stage turned on, and the filament of the second stage turned off. When all blades are in neutral all filaments are cut off and the set does not operate. When all blades are to the right the output is connected to the second stage and the filaments of all tubes are lit. S_1 is connected to the plate of the first amplifying tube and when thrown to the right connects the plate to the primary of the second audio transformer. When thrown to the left the plate of the first amplifying tube is connected to the left contact of S2. One side of the output is permanently connected to the positive side of the "B" battery supply. The other side of the output is connected to the bar of S2. When S2 is thrown to the right the output is connected to the plate of the final audio stage. When S_2 is thrown to the left the output is connected through the left side of S_1 to the plate of the first audio tube. Sz is the filament control switch for the final amplifying tube. The left contact of this switch is unconnected. The blades and right contact are connected in series with the filament supply to the final stage. S_4 is the filament control switch for the first stage, detector and screen grid tube if one is being used. The manner of connecting the screen grid tube has already been described. The contacts of S₄ are connected together. The contacts and blade are then connected in series with one side of the filament supply to the set.

The above arrangement provides a rapid and very convenient means of changing stages and will be appreciated by those to whom the use of plugs and jacks is inconvenient. The only disadvantage is that the use of the detector alone is impossible. However, this presents no difficulty

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Conducted by Clinton B. DeSoto

N the morning of September 8th, Hiram Percy Maxim, president of the Union, pressed a key officially opening the initial ceremony of the annual exhibition of amateur radio gear held by the Wireless Institute of Australia, by the taking of a flashlight picture. Mr. Maxim made three five-second dashes on a telegraph key at 5:12 a.m. E.S.T. (10:12 G.C.T.) which were carried by Western Union telegraph wire from Hartford to Montreal, Canada, where they actuated relays controlling the Marconi beam transmitter working into Australia, being received by Amalgamated Wireless. Within a quarter of a second the signal reached Melbourne Town Hall, where the exhibition was held, and the ceremony was executed with complete success.

This international cooperation and familiarity between amateurs and their organizations is branching out along many different lines.

No better example of the above can be found than the success of the International Congress of Amateur Short Wave Operators held at Antwerp during July of this year. It was remarkably well attended, and aroused untold interest. Of particular interest to this department are the resolutions adopted by the eight official delegates of the amateur organizations represented, all but one of which were European member-societies of the Union. The high lights of the results of this conference will be presented briefly.

It was resolved to request of the respective

governments, facilities for amateur representation at international conferences; these representatives to be under the leadership of K. B. Warner, I.A.R.U. Secretary. Closer relationship between European Sections was advocated; and a successive series of international meetings similar to the present one scheduled, to be held in order annually in Italy, Spain, England and Germany.

The need for stricter observance of technical regulations prescribed by the Washington Convention was pointed out, and to this end Mr. Raymond Braillerd, president of the Technical Committee of the U.R.S.I. (International Scientific Radiotelegraph Union) was requested to place calibrated frequency meters at the disposal of European I.A.R.U. Sections, together with regular monitoring of amateur stations from his control center in Brussels. He was tendered a vote of thanks for his application to amateur interests.

An energetic demand was made for the absolute suppression of commercial operation in amateur bands. After consideration of a suggestion for the seclusion of certain territory to be used exclusively for 'phone operation, this was declared impractical, and telegraphy was resolved to be the established medium for amateur communication. Band marker stations were advocated, and certain British marker stations applauded for their past work. I.A.R.U. Headquarters was requested to have pamphlets prepared listing regulations existing in the countries of all member-societies.

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quire the 3.5-mc. amateur band as exclusively amateur territory. QSL forwarding services are to be continued to "pirate" operators, but no cards should be handled bearing any sort of propaganda, whether political or religious, according to the recommendations of the delegates. Modifications in the process of issuing WAC certificates were suggested.

The official communications were concluded with the vote of thanks to Mr. Braillerd noted above, as well as another to Mr. Maxim and Mr. Warner. The committees of the Antwerp Congress and the Belgian Network Management were felicitated, congratulated and thanked.

In general, the Antwerp meeting was a successful and valuable affair, which resulted in the



KYOZO ASAMURA, JSCR, AND D. B. WILLIAMS. WEDZG, IN THE LATTER'S STATION AT HIS HOME IN LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

J3CR, a student at Kyoto Imperial University near Osaka, Japan, was royalty entertained during a recent week-end in Long Beach by W6DZG and Henry Sasaki, W6CXW, culminating a staunch friendship built up by international Q8O.

crystallizing of European amateur sentiment, and should aid in establishing a suitable background for coming international radio regulatory conferences.

Hong Kong amateurs are anxious to work Canadians on 14 mc. according to reports received here, but unfortunately not one VE has been heard there in two years. Can't some of you Canadians do something about this?

All amateurs, and particularly those in Europe, Asia, and Oceania, are requested to listen for station PHAGA, which will be installed on a Fokker F IX plane, one of those which the Dutch Air Lines (K.L.M.) are using on regular weekly flights from Holland to the Dutch East Indies and return. A. O. L. Strijkers, PAOSV,

chief of the aeronautical radio station Waalhaven near Rotterdam, will be the operator.

The first flight will start on November 13th. The transmitter will have an input of 75 watta, and the tone will be modulated d.c. (1000 cycle). Batteries are carried for operation while resting on the ground. It is probable that frequencies near the 7-mc. band will be used. Prizes are offered by the K.L.M. to those amateurs turning in the most valuable reports and offering the most reliable contact. All reports should be sent to Mr. A. O. L. Strijkers, Post Box 400, Rotterdam.

The purpose of the test is not only to handle regular traffic, but also to determine if amateurs can render assistance in relaying distress messages in the event of the plane being forced down in the jungle, some distance away from long-wave stations and immediate relief. It can readily be seen that the equipment has been installed not only for purposes of testing its usefulness and efficiency, but also to determine the extent of the same qualities in our proffered amateur assistance. Because of this the N.V.I.R. earnestly requests the cooperation of all amateurs in making this trial flight a big success.

Due to an error in recording WAC applications in the order of their receipt, the 'phone WAC issued H. Ray Carter, VK2HC, was never properly noted in these pages. This certificate was issued on April 28, 1930, and was the first to be issued a British Empire amateur 'phone station.

In the foregoing résumé of the Antwerp Congress, mention is made of the forwarding of QSL cards to "pirate" operators. This brings to mind another situation of an equally delicate nature when viewed in its ethical aspects, and that is the choice of calls made by these illegal operators. We are all fairly well agreed that under present conditions the operation of some of these stations is justifiable, but there are many remedial difficulties created by certain practices of our outlaw stations.

Probably the worst of these is the adoption of a foreign prefix, merely for purposes of identification, and not because of any connection with the country to which the prefix has rightfully been assigned. Such uses place the country in question in an intolerable position, since it can well be and probably is blamed for allowing useless outlaw operation inside its borders, when such is not the case at all. Can't we take this more fully into consideration, in choosing calls in the future?

AUSTRALIAN SECTION

By W. G. Sones, Dtr. Fed. Publicity, W.I.A.

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James M. Gates, 408 Railroad St., South Fork, Pa.

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E. J. Harper, 310 Bubblingwell Road, Shanghai,

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DE0939, Karl Wirtz, Cologne, Volksgartenstr. 12, Germany

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One for T.O.M. to Think Over

Ensenada, P. R.

Editor, QST:

I have no fight to pick with T. O. M., but as an "old-timer" (yep, I cut my radio eye teeth on an E. I. Co. catalog and used a Wm. B. Duck catalog for a pacifier) I rise right up on my hind legs to say that in my case at least, and quite possibly in others, T. O. M. is barking up the wrong tree in his references to the wife that the young squirt takes unto himself and leaves "Radio Mother." T. O. M. is absolutely right when he sizes up the advantages of R. M., but in my case he is "all wet" in sizing up the wife.

Listen, OM, I have a wife, one Jr. 5 years old.

Listen, OM, I have a wife, one Jr. 5 years old. and another one 3 years old. Now eock your weather ear over this way and I'll fill her up. I annexed my OW in 1924 and in 1925 I resumed my amateur radio. You see, the Jr. Op who was born in 1925 and "K4KD" got an even start. Granted: the Jr. got the benefit of the doubt for the first few months, even from the OM himself. Let's skip over the next three years, during which the Jr. and the OM about broke even; sometimes one had the advantage and sometimes the other. But in 1927 it became a 2-to-1 proposition when the second Jr. put in his appearance.

From then on, the OW has pulled her favorite movie star's picture out of the frame, and that frame now holds a certificate won in a contest. This has been repeated several times, as additions were made to the station's collection of plain and fancy wall paper. In these said contests, it was the OW who checked the messages for errors, the OW who kept the log, the OW who wrote up the final report in rough form for the OM to type off. The OW checks the incoming and outgoing QSL cards, as well as fills them out for the outgoing mail, chases up the addresses in the call book, and sees that they are mailed. When the OM had stayed up all night running up points in the contests, 'twas the OW who pulled him out of his bunk, threw water on him to wake him up and saw that he got to work on time. Self-preservation? Maybe, but she is young and would have no trouble getting another OM.

When the OM sets the alarm for 4 a.m. and doesn't hear it go off, it's the OW who routs him out to keep his skeds. It's the OW who files the QSL cards, sticks the photos in the album, keeps the radio shack clean, and gets as much of a kick out of the OM's accomplishments as does the OM himself. It's the OW who forgoes a new dress, a

pair of shoes for the Jrs., a talkie or what have you, so that the OM can buy that new tube or whatever else it is that happens to be needed for the station. Self-defense? Maybe, but here, cock your ear over closer. Maybe the OW thinks the OM is in his second childhood and deserves humoring. But you think up the reason the OM rates even or preferred over the younger Jrs. I'll tell you why: This "XYL" who is my OW has that Radio Mother spirit in her make-up and this OM is eashing in on it. So here is one OM who takes off his hat to the R. M. and takes it off again to his OW with the R. M. spirit, and don't you forget it.

Yours till kilocycles have handle-bars.
— E. W. Mäyer, K4KD

KHz Again

2059 Webster Ave., Bronx, N. Y. C.

Editor, QST:

Scientific bodies may decide to call a ke/s a ke., just as well as black could be called white by universal understanding, though a new word for the old meaning of the words "ke." and "white" would have to be found.

But there is hardly any logic in such proceedings because a kc. is not inherently a kc/s just as well as black is not white. Both words would be substitutions with very different original meanings, and somebody who would not happen to know about the decisions of those learned bodies would decidedly misunderstand them.

The logical way is, either to call a ke/s a ke/s or to substitute a word which does not have any other original meaning. The European congress which decided to call a ke/s a Kffz obviously acted according to this simple logic.

If there is any other pioneer in the high-frequency field who is more deserving of being immortalized by giving his name to an electrical high-frequency unit than Dr. Heinrich Herz there would be room for argument, but I am afraid there is no serious competitor. Would it, therefore, not be a great and noble gesture to support that European convention which conceived the KHz idea?

The A.R.R.L. is an independent organization and QST is its own magazine, written for the members of this organization. There is no need to wait for somebody else to decide whether we are entitled to support a logical idea or not. Or are our brains so inferior that we need guidance?

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The American Radio Relay League Hartford, Conn. There is no doubt that a decision of 17,000 or more highly intelligent Americans will carry a definite weight and help materially to foster an idea of obvious value.

Why not bring up this topic again in QST and get the opinion of some more members on it?

- H. H. R. Soltan

What's the Answer?

Ironwood, Mich.

Editor, QST:

-Want to congratulate Headquarters on its very honest radio publication. It smaeks of more of the truth than any other. Lots of thought and effort back of its articles and I'm finding it very necessary. No, your articles are not "too technical." Guess some fellows' scorn for algebraic phrases is a hangover from school days. Mental gymnastics should be combined with soldering iron activities. Then we know the "why" along with the "how."

And now answer me this. After all your good "A B C" articles on how to get d.c. sigs and the new Federal Regulations requiring an adequately filtered plate supply — why is an a.c. sig.?

- E. H. Baertschy

Seeing America First

Frankfort, Mich.

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Editor, QST:

Below is a list of actual figures on amateurs listed for each state of the Union, taken from the last issue of the Government call book.

Arizona	65	New Hampshire	87
Arkansas	105	New Jersey	558
Alabama	91	New York	1,522
Connecticut	256	New Mexico	43
California	2,571	North Carolina	150
Colorado	108	Nevada	28
Delaware	19	Nebraska	211
District of Columbia	90	North Dakota	- 86
Florida	197	Oregon	305
Georgia	107	Ohio	933
Idaho	68	Oklahoma	280
Illinois	908	Pennsylvania	1,073
Indiana	302	Rhode Island	104
Iowa	321	South Carolina	23
Kansas	233	South Dakota	64
Kentucky	108	Texas	689
Louisiana	139	Tennessee	88
Mississippi	78	Utah	70
Michigan	571	Virginia	126
Massachusetts	959	Vermont	40
Maine	162	Washington	430
Maryland	156	Wyoming	19
Montana	38	West Virginia	105
Minnesota	246	Wisconsin	274
Missouri	314		

After receiving numerous cards from fellow amateurs, some with dozens of foreign countries listed on them but with only 42 states, others that are proud owners of a WAC certificate but admit only working 44 or 46 states, and after working month after month without hearing stations in what nowadays we call our own back yard, some solution was sought without taking locality and our present receiver (which we believe behaves as good as the average) into consideration.

You fellows in the Western states, if you are still looking for a QSO in Delaware, note that it has 19 stations listed — Vermont has 40. Those

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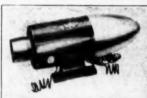
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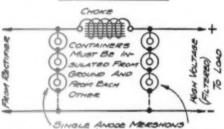
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Editor, QST:

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Not only can we bring about this state by genial, friendly and helpful operating procedure when on the air, but also by giving foreign and colonial "hams" a jolly good time when they come to our country. Unfortunately we do not get a large number of overseas visitors in the Midlands, but any chap who does look us up is assured of a good time with the Birmingham "Bhoys," and all visitors we have had to date invariably promise similar fare if we pay a reciprocal visit.

Wishing the heartiest success to the "Ham Spirit."

- A. C. Edwards, G6XJ

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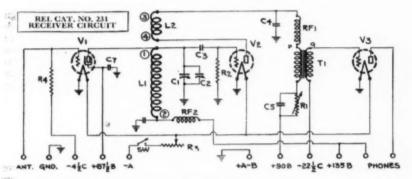
Editor, QST:

Having read the new regulations requiring d.c. plate supply. I was just burning up about this infringement on my personal liberty and freedom to use raw a.c. if I wanted to. Just as I had about worked myself up to writing QST and cussing out the directors for doing this without consulting me, a near-by ham borrowed the school's transmitter for the summer and came on with raw a.c. Although he at first used only a 201-A tube, it not only blanketed the 7000-kc. band but also ruined 14,000 kc. as well. I gave him a rectifier and he borrowed a filter from the school, and this eliminated QRM on other bands, but he decided that he could not get out so well with this, so he went back to raw a.c., and when I protested he got mad and took to coming on every time he saw a

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Weston Electrical Instrument 602 Frelinghuysen Avenue Newark, N. J. light in my shack. With a 210 tube and raw a.c. he drowned out all signals of any kind on all the amateur bands. You can bet I was glad that the radio inspector would order him to stop the QRM, so I complained about it and now he isn't on so much, but still uses a.c.

This morning the Aussies were coming in FB and I had hooked a couple on 7000 when another local ham about two miles away came on with his 210 set using rough r.a.c. This blotted half the band and was loud enough on the rest to ruin all DX. I certainly think that the new regulations should be enforced in all cities where there are numbers of hams near each other. This ham usually uses d.c., but just thought he would see

how he could get out with no filter.

Another source of QRM is the harmonics of locals on higher bands. They do not seem to be very loud on lower frequencies, but 7000-kc. signals came in very loud on 14 and 28 mc. I have even heard distant harmonics of 7000-kc. stations on 28 mc, and harmonics of 14 mc, stations come in regularly from all parts of the country on 28 mc. I don't know what can be done about this but it is very annoying to call a station and then find it was only a harmonic.

The 14-mc, 'phones also caused more QRM than any other thing here last spring when DX was coming in. I heard one 'phone (one of the best) complaining about a.c. QRM. He said the a.c. station was about 15 times wider than a modern 'phone station. He was then covering more than 10 per cent of the band with his wave and modulation of near-by signals, so this must have been wide QRM all right. I think that phones should not be allowed on 14 mc. between 2 p.m. and 9 p.m. local time, as they cause needless QRM at this time to DX. The transmitter and not the license of the operator should also be the means of qualifying for a 14-mc. 'phone. A ham with a good m.o.p.a. set who can't copy the code will have a much better 'phone than the extra-first-grade license holder using loop modulation, and the ability to copy 20 words per minute certainly does not affect the quality of a bum 'phone.1 The older hams as a rule seem to think that they should have privileges not granted to the beginners, which accounts for complaints that some 'phone operators cannot read the code. If 14-me. 'phones were required to use crystal or m.o.p.a.'s instead of being required to have a certain grade license and their tickets were suspended for three months for having a bum 'phone or operating off wave, there would be a noticeable improvement in the quality of signals, but in any case a 'phone covers too wide a portion of the band to be used during the afternoon and early evening when 14 mc. is the only band on which you can work Europe, Africa, and South America.

- E. R. McCarthy, W4LY

¹ The present 14-mc. 'phone regulations require that the applicant for the privilege must show special technical qualifications, the extra first-class being accepted as evidence of such qualifications. The 20-word code speed is not required for 14-mc. 'phone, although it is a part of the extrafirst license. - Editor.

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I.A.R.U. News

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month is mid-winter in the Southern Hemisphere, and in the Southern States of the Commonwealth is marked by frosts and rain, with foggy and generally cold conditions, although rarely below the freezing point except on the highlands. Even on good receiving days foreign stations do not seem to get through except when accompanied by high noise levels. The theory propounded by the Federal Technical Director, Mr. M. Howden, VK3BQ, for this phenomena is that during our winter the northern hemisphere stations are experiencing summer conditions and that there are fewer of them at work. In addition, the stations we do hear are affected by static and other summer interference, to which is added



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any other interference such as may be caused from power leaks, etc. during our wintry conditions. 3.5-mc. work even for locals is practically out of the question, while 7 mc. is very little better. 14 mc. is not quite so noisy, but seems to be affected more or less for most of the time.

In spite of the poor conditions the men working on 28 mc. continue to get results, and the number of stations using crystal control on this band is growing weekly. Several of them are employing telephone modulation occasionally.

The majority of the Divisions of the W.I.A. have lately held Annual Meetings, election of officers, and balancing of accounts for the year. All reports show an excellent year, of great service to the interests of amateur radio, increased membership and continued enthusiasm. Full reports are not yet available from Divisions other than Western Australia and Victoria, but as the remainder come along interesting extracts should be available for the information of foreign friends.

Western Australian Division reports a membership of 139, with an average attendance of 50 members at each meeting. (Many have to travel considerable distances to attend, because of the scattered nature of the membership.) Twenty-four meetings were held during the twelve months under review. A permanent headquarters has been obtained for VK6WI, the official station. Educational activity through local broadcasting stations for assisting and gaining the interest of B.C.L. listeners; operating and Morse classes for beginners; field days; social activities and ex-

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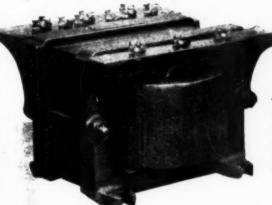
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H-4650	50	50/60	100/115	5/2.5	10	12,000	-72
H-4651	50	50/60	200/230	5/2.5	10	12,000	-72
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cursions to places of interest such as radio stations, power houses, telegraph stations, etc.; the equipment of a comprehensive library; and a successful amateur Exhibition during the year, are exemplary of the year's activity.

The Victorian Division report is very similar. The total membership is 166, and new members are enrolled at each meeting. During the year the Division has been able to install a reference library of textbooks for the use of the members; a lending library of technical instruments to assist in the experiments of individuals; the organization of field days, excursions, etc. and experienced an altogether successful twelve months.

Some interesting experiments in measurement of the Heaviside layer were undertaken during July by one of the Victorian telephone stations, VK3BY, coöperating with the Radio Research Board of Melbourne University. Complete details of the results are not yet available, but will be reported later. The measurements were made on the reflected waves from VK3BY, the frequency of which was varied at a known value by means of a small paralleled condenser inserted in the aerial circuit and rotated by a constant speed motor.

DUTCH NOTES

By W. Keeman, Traffic Manager, N. V. I.R.

The months of July and August have been particularly barren of results. The number of reports from our O.R.S. has been rather small, probably in consequence of the stifling heat, and those who sent in their notes were very pessimistic. The word "rotten" was used frequently (T.O.M. — N.B.). No signals were received on 28 mc., but a few DX stations were heard on 14 mc. although few contacts were reported. Operating conditions and practices both were had on 7 mc. The 3.5-mc. band alone showed signs of life.

The long awaited book containing all the technical information amateurs should have has been prepared. It was written and edited entirely by our membership, and is gotten out in mimeographed form. The publication program of our society is finished now, and our members now can avail themselves of three books, each dovetailing into each other, in which they can find all the information they require.

Our Board of Directors has made another important decision. This is to the effect that in future all QSL cards which are not in agreement with the regulations of the Washington I.R.C. will be returned to the sender by our QSL service, after having been stamped as follows: "Refused. Does not conform with Washington Regulations." We hope this will help to make an end to the childish effort of a few amateurs to create confusion, and introduce political differences to the detriment of amateur radio. We have hesitated a considerable time before taking this step, but it has appeared to be really necessary if we wish to keep amateur radio the fine, clean sport it has been since the very beginning.

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New O.R.S. Certificate Issue Ready

FFICIAL Relay Station appointees will be pleased to know that the new certificates of appointment are ready. The O.R.S. "tickets" have been completely redesigned and improved. A smaller, neater, certificate will be issued to future O.R.S. and reissued to every present appointee who makes application, providing he has honestly lived up to the terms of his appointment and will continue active in operating work this season. The new certificates will be distributed during the month of November from the offices of every Section Communications Manager.

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if we ort it Present O.R.S. certificates will automatically become null and void at midnight November 15th. Appointees have been notified by mail approximately one month in advance of this date to give them plenty of time to make application to Section Managers to determine if they are in line to receive one of the new certificates which will be issued beginning November first.

Communications Department field organization has been altered. The new certificate is similar to the photograph reproduced herewith in general make-up. However, a magazine reproduction in black-and-white can hardly do justice to these blue bordered lithographed certificates printed on finest quality stock. Needless to say, the new "ticker" is very attractive. The new size will make the certificates easier to handle and to mount in a uniform arrangement with other station licenses and diplomas which are posted to show visitors and inspectors what is what about a radio station.

As may be noted from the text of the certificate, appointments in the future will be good for one year only from the date they leave the office of the Section Manager. In this respect they are somewhat similar to the familiar station licenses issued by the F.R.C. However, it is only necessary to return certificates at the end of a year to the duly-elected Section Manager. The appointment may be continued for



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As noted above, the entire design of the document which affords evidence of appointment to the basic office of our

18ce page six, any recent number of QST for a full list of Sections, Section Communications Managers, and addresses which will reach them and to which monthly activity reports and applications for ORS, RM, OO, and OBS appointment should be sent.

another one-year period by a simple endorsement of the Section Manager, and thus proper action can keep appointments in effect indefinitely, a single certificate being good for five years if endorsed annually. Of course the official records of the S.C.M. must show reports made and activity to permit the S.C.M. to conscientiously endorse a certificate

and continue it in effect. When stations transfer from one Section to another in the future, a simple endorsement by the new S.C.M. will continue appointments in effect provided the station record is certified by the Section Manager having previous jurisdiction.

A WORD ABOUT O.R.S. APPOINTMENT FOR THE UNINITIATED

To any station not in the existing Communications Department line-up at the moment a cordial invitation is extended. Find out more about this appointment from your Section Manager. Any amateur who has a station and operator's license and who wants to "do things" with his equipment will find it fairly simple to earn an appointment if he knows the fundamentals of operating, as explained in brief in the Rules and Regulations of the Communications Department and more fully in The Radio Amateurs'

While the basic activity followed from month to month is message handling today, just as it always has been since the inception of our A.R.R.L., Official Relay Station activities cover a wider field. These stations are prepared for handling emergency communications. They cooperate with our government and different agencies in conducting experimental or operating tests of different kinds, send code practice lessons on voice and c.w. to assist beginning hams to become more proficient and raise the code speed of others, participate in relays and contests arranged by the A.R.R.L. or held in cooperation with foreign amateur societies, and the like. Section Managers, Route Managers and Official Observers are all fellows who have been through the mill—held O.R.S. appointments—and displayed especial astuteness and proficiency, winning a place in their respective fields by their interest, loyalty, and activity.

The Communications Department field organization includes men interested in every type or amateur communication work. Official Relay Stations are, as the name implies, stations that can be absolutely depended on to see a hard job through - to deliver and relay accurately and promptly the messages that come their way - to hold their equipment in readiness for whatever opportunity for service to the public or to amateur radio that may come their way, whether a special emergency or in the line of ordinary operation. To be known as an Official Relay Station appointee is very much worth while. O.R.S. are the most active and the best regulated stations as far as compliance with regulations and standard operating practices are concerned. The appointment is highly significant since it puts the station owner in a special position as respects the various opportunities for service. The appointment certificate is the badge that shows that an amateur station has "arrived" in the dependable class.

WHY HOLD O.R.S. APPOINTMENT

Are you one of those fellows who got in on the interesting communication problem worked out with the Army Air Corps last January, or are you merely a chap who read about the activities in May QST? Do you get the quarterly bulletins with periodic timely data direct from Headquarters, and special information at other intervals when expeditions, trans-ocean flights using radio, "Arctic Patrol" work, etc. are in the wind? Did you ever wonder just how active stations all over the country are picked for work in special and important enterprises undertaken for the credit of the whole amateur fraternity?

Perhaps the reason you never got in on any of these interesting and vital undertakings was because you were not lined up as O.R.S. Possibly there were other good reasons. At any rate it is true that when the A.R.R.L. is called upon to assist in different types of communication work we always turn to the O.R.S. records and files of information on the equipment of these stations first to pick the best men. If a scheme involves running communication or listening over a considerable section of territory (as, for example, our Arctic Patrol flight did) it is only necessary to dig up maps, our records of appointees filed by Sections, data on which stations are reporting greatest activity regularly variably some O.R.S. gets the job.

Six weeks is required as the very minimum of time for printing and distributing information to every corner of the country through the medium of 50,000 QSTs. Normally

current matters are handled through OST of course. But if something big or pressing comes up the C.D. field organization doesn't have to wait six weeks for its information. Amateurs who are always on the job, O.R.S., part and parcel of the organization, hear about things right away, through a C.D. letter if one or a half-dozen operators are to be called on to check-up a suspected illegal station, or by means of a bulletin letter to the key stations in one or several Sections, depending of course on the nature of the work in hand. Calls to service of this sort may come at infrequent intervals, but those stations appointed Official Relay Stations are always in line to receive such information quickly should occasion arise, as it has a number of different times in recent years.

O.R.S. are the "minute men" of amateur radio - always organised, reporting, active, and holding their stations in tip top condition ready for instant service on any com-municating problem large or small! Operators of Official Relay Stations are right up to scratch, too. They "keep skeds" and handle traffic right along — get a real kick out

of it. How can they help becoming proficient?

HOW TO BECOME AN O.R.S.

The first step in getting lined up as a new O.R.S. is to make application to the Section Manager in whose jurisdiction you may be located 1 and to prove your qualifications and interest. Collect and handle some traffic regularly and don't forget to report your work on time (the 16th) each month, every month. Just a postal card to the S.C.M.'s address will give him information he will be glad to use in his report for QST - this regardless of whether you have applied for or secured appointment.

If you can't handle at least 15 w.p.m. and have no conception of the fundamentals of operating procedure don't expect that the S.C.M. can conscientiously hand out an appointment and one of those fine certificates. He can't. But don't let that discourage you. The best things in life

aren't the ones that fall right in our laps.

You will receive every encouragement. Make some schedules with the more reliable of the stations you hear and with those you find listed in QST as handling traffic. Tell the S.C.M. how you are getting along when you report unofficially each month. Read up on operating procedure in the Handbook and find out not only the information needed to properly fill out the questionnaire which S.C.M.s send O.R.S. applicants to consider and fill out, but really put into practice the things that you read. Before you know it you will be a full-fledged Official Relay Station appointee and be taking part in all the regular Section competitions as well as special activities.

Drop a line to your S.C.M. today and ask for application forms for O.R.S. appointment. Present appointees should get their request for continuance in at once if the matter has not already been taken up, since the first supply of the new certificates sent Section Managers was a limited quantity.

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O.R.S. appointees are entitled to wear the distinctive blue A.R.R.L. pins, similar to regular membership pins except that they have a blue instead of a black background.

W1MK

A.R.R.L. Headquarters' Station W1MK operates on frequencies of 3575 kc. and 7150 kc. Robert B. Parmenter. RP," is the chief operator; his fist is familiar to most of the amateur fraternity. Occasionally other members of the Headquarters staff operate at W1MK. Their personal signs may be found in the QRA Section of QST.

Throughout the following schedules Eastern Standard Time will be used.

OFFICIAL AND SPECIAL BROADCASTS are sent simultaneously on 3575 kc. and 7170 kc. at the following times: 8:00 p.m.: Sun., Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri.

10:00 p.m.: Mon. and Fri. 12:00 p.m. (midnight): Sun., Tues., and Thurs.

GENERAL OPERATION periods have been arranged to allow everyone a chance to communicate with A.R.R.L. Headquarters. These general periods have been arranged so that they usually follow an official broadcast. They are listed under the two headings of 3500 kc. and 7000 kc. to indicate whether the watch is devoted to listening on the 80-meter band or to the 40-meter band.

[‡] Copies of the Rules and Regulations of the Communications Department contain the full text of the F.R.C. amateur regu-lations in addition to the condensed information on amateur operating procedure. A postal will bring you a copy free of charge.

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10:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Sun., Mon., and Fri.

12:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on the following nights (actually on the morning of the day following): Mon., Tues., Thurs., and Fri. (Only on Tues. and Thurs. does the OBC precede these periods.)

SCHEDULES are kept with the following stations through any of which traffic will travel expediently to WICTI, WIZB, W2JF, W2WK, W3AVI, W3BWT, W3CXM, W9OX, NEDF; on 7000 kc.: W48K, W6OJ and W9BCL.

QSL CARDS for W1MK should be addressed in care of A.R.R.L., 1711 Park Street, Hartford, Conn. A complete log of every transmission is made and WIMK is always glad to send any station worked a card, but frequently cards are lost when sent direct to the station at Brainard Field. WIMK always QSLs upon receipt of card from station

ELECTION NOTICES

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To all A.R.R.L. Members residing in the Sections listed below:
(The list gives the Sections, closing date for receipt of nominating petitions for Section Manager, the name of the present incumbent and the date of expiration of his term of office.) This notice supersedes previous notices.

In cases where no valid nominating petitions have been received from A.R.R.L. members residing in the different Sections in response to our previous notices, the closing dates for receipt of nominating petitions are set ahead to the dates given herewith. In the absence of nominating petitions from Members of a Section, the present incumbent continues to holding of an election by ballot or as may be necessary. Fettions must be in Hiller to the resignation in the Utah-Wyoming Section, nominating petitions are hereby solicited for the office of Section Communications Manager in this Section and the closing date for receipt of nominations at A.R.R.L. Headquarters is herewith specified as noon, Nov. 15, 1930. Reports from ORS in these sections should be sent to the Acting SCM listed on page 5 of 957.

**In Canadian Sections nominating petitions for Section Managing Petitions for Section Manager in Canadian Sections nominating petitions are herewith specified as noon, Nov. 15, 1930. Reports from ORS in these sections should be sent to the Acting SCM listed on page 5 of 957.

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*In Canadian Sections nominating petitions for Section Manager must be addressed to Canadian General Manager, Alex Reld, 169 Logan Ave., St. Lambert, Quebec. To be valid such petitions must be filled with him on or before the closing dates

Section	Closing Date	Present SCM	Present Term of Office Ends
Alaska	Nov. 15, 1930	W. B. Wilson	Mar. 28, 1930
Utah-Wyoming	Nov. 15, 1930		*********
Vermont	Nov. 15, 1930		July 28, 1930
Mississippi	Nov. 15, 1930		July 28, 1930
Arkansas	Nov. 15, 1930		Aug. 28, 1930
Maritime *	Nov. 15, 1930		
Ontario *	Nov. 15, 1930	E. C. Thompson	Oct. 20, 1930
Northern			
Minnesota	Nov. 15, 1930	Carl L. Jabs	Oct. 20, 1930
Rhode Island		Chas. N. Kraus	Oct. 31, 1930
San Francisco	Nov. 15, 1930		Dec. 20, 1930
Southern			
Minnesota	Dec. 15, 1930	J. C. Pehoushek	Jan. 9, 1931
Florida		Harvey Chafin	Mar. 2, 1931
Oklahoma	Feb. 15, 1931	W. J. Gentry	Mar. 30, 1931

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To all A.R.R.L. Members residing in the Sections listed:

1. You are hereby notified that an election for an A.R.R.L. section Communications Manager, for the next two-year term of which the provisions of By-laws, 5, 6, 2, and 8.

2. The elections will take place in the different Sections will take place in the different Sections immediately after the closing date for receipt of nominating petitions as given opposite the different Sections. The Ballots madidates nominated for the position by A.R.R.L. members residing in the Sections concerned.

3. Nominating petitions from the Sections named are hereby selicited. Five or more A.R.R.L. members residing in any Section lave the privilege of nominating any member of the League who holds an O.R.S. appointment in their Section as candidate for Section Manager. The following form for nomination is suggested:

Communications Manager, A.R.R.L. (Place and date)
I'll Park St., Hartford, Conn.
We, the undersigned members of the A.R.R.L. residing in
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be. Section of the Division as candidate for Section Communications Manager for this Section for the set two-year term of office.

(Five or more signatures of A.R.R.L. members are required.) The candidate and five or more signers must be League members in good standing or the petition will be thrown out as lavalid. The complete name, address, and station call of the candidate should be included. All such petitions must be filed at the headquarters office of the League in Hartford, Conn., by noon of the closing date given for receipt of nominating petitions. There is no limit on the number of petitions that may

be filed, but no member shall sign more than one such petition.

4. Members are urged to take initiative immediately, filing petitions for the officials for each Section listed above. This is your opportunity to put the man of your choice in office to carry on the work of the organisation in your Section.

F. E. Handy, Communications Manager.

ELECTION RESULTS

A valid petition nominating a single candidate as Section
Manager was filed in Kentucky and Idaho before the closing date
that had been announced for receipt of such petitions. As provided by our Constitution and by-laws, when but one candidate
is named this candidate shall be declared elected. Accordingly,
an election certificate has been mailed to the following officials:
Kentucky
J. B. Wathen, III, WBAZ
Mockingbird Valley,
Louisville, Ky.
Idaho
Oscar E. Johnson, W7AKZ
422 Antone St.,
Sandpoint, Idaho

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All these stations appearing in the Brass Pounders'. League are noted for their consistent schedule-keeping and dependable message-handling work in annateur radio. Special creder listed responsible for over one hundred deliteries in the message month: KA1HR, W6ZX, M6ALX, W6QP, W6DWI, W6AGR, W9COS, Deliveries count! A total of 200 or more bona fide messages handled and counted in accordance with A.R.R.L. practice, or just 50 or more deliteries will put you in line for a place in the B.P.L. Why not make more schedules with the reliable stations you hear and take steps to handle the traffic that will qualify you for B.P.L. membership also?

Official Broadcasting Stations

CHANGES AND ADDITIONS

W9CJQ (3700 kc.) Tues., Thurs., 7:00 p.m. C.S.T. W1BKN (3700 kc.) Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat., 6:45 p.m. and 8 p.m.; (7200 kc.) Mon., Tues., Fri., Sat., 5:45 p.m. and 6:40 p.m.

W4AII (7150 kc.) Every day except Sunday, 4:00 p.m. E.S.T. (3525 kc.) Thursday 7:45 p.m. W5ACY (7160 kc.) Tues., Thurs., 7:30 p.m. C.S.T.;

Sun., 1:00 p.m. C.S.T.

W6BBJ (3850 kc.) 'phone and CW, Mon., Wed., and Fri. 10:35 p.m. P.S.T.

Wanted—Code Practice Volunteers

VERY year at this season we devote space in this department to the listing of schedules of 1750-kc. amateur stations which broadcast information and code instruction to beginning amateurs. A new and revised

list, effective November 1st, appears elsewhere in this issue. New comers to the amateur ranks are learning to rely upon the 1750-kc. transmissions of stations sending code instruction, and during the last season many were able to bring their speed up suitably to enable them to secure licenses. The new men need code practice more than anything else, instruction in amateur operating practice, and two-way work with patient, experienced operators as soon as they secure their licenses to increase their proficiency in using their stations. Thus it is that we are calling for more volunties.

Traffic Briefs

ARMISTICE DAY MESSAGE

The annual Armistice Day message from the Chief Signal Officer to Army Amateurs will be broadcast from WLM on 6990 kc. and W3CXM on 3950 kc. on Monday night, November 10th. The message will be broadcast every hour, on the hour, from 6:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m. E.S.T. Corps Area Control Stations will rebroadcast the message.

1750-KC. CODE PRACTICE VOLUNTEERS

STATION	LOCATION	FRE- QUENCY	DAYS	HOURS (LOCAL TIME)	REMARKS
W1ABO	Pawtucket, R. I.	1750 ke.	Sundays Wednesdays Saturdays	1-2 p.m. 7-8 p.m. 10:30 p.m. on	
WIAKY	Quincy, Mass.	1750 kc.	Fridays	7-about 10 p.m.	
WIAOX	South Manchester, Conn.	1750 ke.	Tuesdays, Fridays	7:15 p.m.	'Phone and CW
W3MM	Allentown, Pa.	1765 kc.	Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays	7-7:30 p.m.	
W7ACD	Shelley, Idaho	1875 kc.	Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays	9-10 p.m.	
W8APQ	Martinsburg, Pa.	1875 kc.	Sundays	6:30 p.m.	
			Tuesdays	10:00 p.m.	
			Wednesdays	7:00 a.m.	
			Fridays	7:30 p.m.	
WSUF	Youngstown, Ohio	1750 ke.	Daily	Midnight-1 a.m.	'Phone, hand sending and Teleplex
W9AAN	Hewitt, Minn.	1970 kc.	Tuesdays, Thursdays	7:15–8:15 p.m.	'Phone and busser
WOAFP	Tabor, So. Dak.	1750 kc.	Tuesdays	9:30-10 p.m.	
			Thursdays	9:30-10:30 p.m.	
			Sundays	9-10 a.m.	
W9B8P	Olathe, Kans.	1795 kc.	Daily	7:30 p.m.	C. C. 'phone
W9EBD	Menasha, Wis.	1715 kc.	Tuesdays, Thursdays	6:30-7 p.m.	
			Sundays	11-11:30 a.m.	

teers to send code practice in the 1750-kc, amateur band. Don't you want to help out by offering your station and a few hours of your time each week to these beginners?

Both c.w. and radiophone stations can engage profitably in broadcasting and two-way work for beginning "hams." Radiophone volunteers are really preferred, however, as by using both microphone and key instruction can be given most efficiently to the listeners. Last season those who took part in this work had gratifying results and built up large audiences and many friends, who listened regularly as soon as the schedules were announced.

If you have a 1750-kc. 'phone or telegraph transmitter and can engage in this most worthwhile work, please drop us a line at once, giving data on your exact frequency, hours of schedules, etc., and prepare to follow your schedule as soon as it is in print. We shall be glad to send you some mimeographed ideas and helps which will assist you in putting this service over to those who copy your transmissions.

BEGINNERS, ATTENTION!

We are receiving many requests for information on how to go about securing amateur radio operators' and station licenses. The January issue of QST contained Part 1 of the article. "Passing the Government Examinations for Operator's License." The February issue contains the second part. These articles should answer practically every question you may have on obtaining licenses. Simple receiver and transmitter descriptions were given in November and December (1929) QST's, respectively. Back copies of QST may be procured from our Circulation Department for 25 cents a copy.

A list of the "volunteer stations" that are sending code practise and other information on the 1750-kc, band for your especial benefit appears elsewhere in this issue. This list has been recently revised and all schedules are effective November 1. If you receive the transmissions from any of these "volunteer stations" we suggest that you write to them and let them know how they are coming through and what help you are deriving from their efforts.

what help you are deriving from their efforts.

The Radio Amateur's Handbook contains just the information you need, if you contemplate building a station. We invite requests for any information you may want. Just drop a line to the Communications Department and we shall do our best to help you.

All Army Amateur stations should copy the message from either: (a) one of the two Army Net Control Stations or (b) from their own Corps Area Net Control Station.

All stations copying the message should mail their copy direct to the Chief Signal Officer, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C. The message should show the operator's name and station call, the hour received_and from what station received.

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All Amateur stations, whether members of the Army Amateur Radio System or not, will be listed on the Army honor roll if they copy and mail in the received message.

Traffic Summaries

(AUGUST-SEPTEMBER)

Pacific led by Los Angeles	12,220
Central led by Michigan	4871
Atlantic led by Maryland-Delaware-District of	
Columbia	2175
New England led by Eastern Massachusetts	1974
West Gulf led by Oklahoma	1114
Hudson led by New York City & Long Island	771
Northwestern led by Washington	731
Roanoke led by Virginia	644
Midwest led by Missouri	640
Dakota led by Southern Minnesota	522
Southeastern led by Florida	355
Rocky Mountain led by Colorado	297
Delta led by Tennessee	224
Ontario	93
Quebec	78
Vanalta led by British Columbia	35
Prairie led by Manitoba	21
578 stations originated 7613; delivered 5025;	relayed
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Oh! Oh! Los Angeles again!! What Section will stop them?

A traffic summary showing the standing of the various Divisions for the past month is printed above. What place does yours take?

DIVISIONAL REPORTS

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ARYLAND-DELAWARE-DISTRICT OF CO-LUMBIA — SCM, Forrest Calhoun, W3BBW
— Amateur radio once more proved its worth during the storm which swept across Virgin Island and its neighbors. Communication was maintained with K4AAN by the following stations, all of which deserve great credit:
W3CAB, W3BWT, W3CDQ, W3LA, W3JQ, W3ALN,
W3AI. Maryland: The western Maryland boys take the lead for this state. W3AFF is working a 7000-kc. Zepp on 3500 kc. Hi. W3AOO has a fine bunch of skeds. W3DQ in moving to Richmond. Sorry to lose you, OM. W3ZK, a new ORS, is now using an 852. W3LA handled traffic from WDDE to Texas. W3AW is going to school at Swarthmore and will be heard from W3AJ. His brother will run his outfit. W3BBW is again on his regular 1:30 a.m. to 4 a.m. watch on 3500 ke. W3NY sez with all his 250 watts he can't get any traffic. ke. W3NY sez with all his 250 watts he can't get any traffic.

Hi. W3PQ rebuilt his a.c. receiver. Delaware: W3AIW is the net control station for AA work. W3HC spent two weeks at Bethany Beach with the Del. National Guards as did W3AIW and W3ZN. W3AJH reported. W3ALQ complains of hot wx but by this time should be cool. Will W3BAR please report? District of Columbia: W3CXL takes the lead from our old high man W3BWT. W3BWT results high statements. built his 3500-ke. xmitter and has a new receiver. W3CAB did some fine work during the storm. He also had quite a few visitors: W6DNF, W8BYR, W4AER, and XW4AEF, W3PM apologizes for no traffic due to testing MOPA. W3GT will be heard soon. Don't forget, gang, reports must be in my hands by the 18th at the latest. Now, on with the

battle.
Traffie: W3CXL 452, W3BWT 229, W3AFF 53, W3AOO
42, W3DQ 23, W3AIW 21, W3HC 19, W3CAB 17, W3ZK
12, W3LA 11, W3AW 12, W3AJH 5, W3ALQ 4, W3BBW 2.
SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY — SCM, Bayard Allen, W3ATJ — W3ATF is the high man this month, a sked with W3ZZB at the National Guard Artillery Camp doing Our old friend W3ZI operated W3ZZB at N. G. A. Camp in New York state, where he made tests from Planes to ground station W3ZZB. He reports 100% success. W3ATJ built a new transmitter, with so much success that the foreigners on 14 mc. have to use cotton in eir ears. Hi. W3BEI, our official observer, is hard at work at the R. C. A.-Victor plant. W3AWL has rebuilt the entire station now, having tried every known transmitting circuit. W30H is back on the air with an SS2 after a year's absence.
W38UF is having trouble with his MOPA. W3ACX has a
fifty which doesn't perk. W3BRE and W3ARP moved to
Northfield. W3WW and W3HS left for the west coast to
observe this section's signals out there. W3KJ and W3UT are rebuilding for the fall session. W3BDO is a new station in Pleasantville. W3BAN is contemplating moving back to town and a power supply. At present he lives 'steen miles from nowhere with no juice at all. W3SM and W3ASG are modulating every night on the 3.5-mc. fone band. Now that the real season for radio is at hand let's have 100% reporting next month.

Traffie: W3ATJ 6, W3BEI 1, W3ATF 25, W3ZZB 7, W3AWL 14

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA - SCM, Don Luck, W3ZF — W8CWO is back to tfc. again after trying his fling at DX on the 14- and 7-megacycle bands. W3UH just came back on the air with an 852 to crash through QRM, etc. W8VD started in again. It looks as though things are picking up. W3UX has a new recvr perking. W8DHT sex the Electric City Rdo Club is reorganizing and things look very promising. W3MC has been experimenting with a new sepp but is disgusted and is now back on 3500 ke. W8AWO is sick in bed at present. Sorry to hear that, Sid, and hr's wishing you a speedy recovery. W3AHZ is going back to school but sent in a mighty nice report this month. Look for him at WSYA, fellows. W3EV made his first tfc. report this month. WSEU is awakening interest in Billtown once again. Wish that old gang would wake up, up there and pull logether like they used to 'Smatter? W3AQQ has the right idea in mind. He is going to help put our division on the map. Congrats, OM, and I'll root for you. W3FY wonders why his reports have not appeared in QST. The answer is quite simple, OM. None received here. Perhaps you sent them to my old QRA? W3AVI is getting into tfc. circles now. W3ZF

and his OW went to the Roanoke Div. Convention and had a fine time. W3GS is so busy with R. C. A. work that he has no time for ham radio. The SCM will vouch for that, too. Traffic: W3AHZ 128, W3UX 99, W3UH 55, W3AQQ 24, W3FY 23, W3MC 21, W8DHT 16, W8CWO 9, W8VD 9,

W3EV 8. W8EU 12. W8AWO 2.

WSEV 8, WSEU 12, WSAWO 2.
WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA — SCM, Robert Lloyd,
WSCFR — WSCHC reports four foreign schedules on 14
mc. He makes the BPL with a fine total. WSGU is still
going along nicely with several schedules. WSDLG is
lining up schedules for the winter months. WSAVY can't get his crystal working. W8AGO reports a fine array of crystal transmitters in use. W8CUG is kept busy with the Navy Net and has just finished putting up a beautiful new fifty-eight foot mast. WSARC expects to be on the air for the Army-Amateur schedules. W8CEO had a visit from W1ADK recently. W8DUT reports a new Junior Op making QRM. W8BNU quit 14 mc. for 3.6 mc. and has a nice total. He reports the Erie gang is quite active. W8APQ is a prospective ORS. W8AAQ reports for the first time. He says W8DRA and W8DFB are active in his part of the section and that the Oil City fellows are working on a Naval Reserve unit. W8CLS is all set for the winter with a new transmitter and receiver. W8ASE reports some funny experiences with his M.O.P.A. set W8DYL is building a new transmitter. W8CFR started up, but was damped somewhat by an overload of work.

overload of work.

Traffic: W8CHC 396, W8GU 21, W8DLG 13, W8AVY 9,
W8CFR 7, W8AGO 6, W8CUG 6, W8BNU 53, W8APQ
45, W8AAQ 12, W8CLS 4.

WESTERN NEW YORK—SCM, John R. Blum,

W8CKC - W8BIF is using a new M.O.P.A. This style of transmitter seems to be all the style down Jamestown way. W8ON, the Chautauqua County Fair transmitter, handled over 200 messages — all on 7 mgs. W8AFG has gone back over 200 messages — an or 7 mgs. Weard has gone back to college. WSCXH and WSCUT are on 28 megs. WSDME is Unit Commander, U.S.N.R. WSCVI is studying aviation radio. WSBGV is president of F.L.T.S. WSAHK is back on the air again. Welcome, Jerry. WSIH has a new double-button mike. WSAYM is a new station. WSAAZ has a new Amateur Extra First ticket, W8CIL has a new T.P.T.G. W8AWM is a new traffic hound and wants schedules. W8APK has gone back to the second district. W8QB works dx on 14 megcs. W8DII keeps several consistent schedules. We are glad to welcome W8ARX and his F.B. note back again. WSCPC worked his usual quantity of good DX. WSAFM was on the silent list this month. WSBHK has new Xtal controlled fifty watter. WSBJO has returned to the fold after being off the air all summer. WSTZ using M.O.P.A. instead of Hartley. W8BUP operated at W8ON. W8ABQ has a new a.c. receiver. We are glad to note that traffic is picking up in this section; also there is a great demand for schedules west. Any "9" wishing to swap traffic please write the SCM of Western N. Y. WSDSA is handling traffic in the Northern end of the State. W8DEJ, our YL operator, is working on 3900 kc. W8IH and W8CKC were operators at W1ESE — Eastern States Exposition at Springfield.

Mass. We had a nice visit at Headquarters, met the gang and eaw W1MK. If any of the Western N. Y. gang have any kick against Headquarters, it is our suggestion that they go down and see how the place is run. They will never kick again. There will be thirty O.R.S. certificates cancelled this month

as per previous warning.

Traffic: W8BUP 118, W8TZ 22, W8BJO 6, W8BHK 7, W8CPC 36, W8ARX 7, W8DH 9, W8BIF 1, W8DME 16, W8CIL 7, W8CKC 8, W8DSA 5.

CENTRAL DIVISION

NDIANA - SCM, George Graue, W9BKJ - W9DDB is back at Purdue and is planning on changing to crystal control with a fifty watter as the PA. W9GIU is the able assistant. W9CKY has his new crystal rig near completion and wants several skeds. W9CKG and W9GUG are new stations in Indianapolis. W9AEA changed to MOPA and is ready for DX. W9GGJ blew his filter condensers. W9FCX reports that most So. Bend hams have changed to 3500-ke. fone. W9CVX, an old timer and a previous ORS, wants to be reinstated. W9ALB, W9CLR and W9BXT are new hams at Seymour. W9AAO claims the trees are absorbing his output. W9GJS suggests a "V" machine for tuning up transmitters. Hi. W9DSC has deserted the 14- and 7-

me. bands for 3.5 me. W9EUP and W9FPQ are operating on 7 and 3.5 me. W9YV-W9RW works U.S.N.R. regularly. W9EXW is thinking seriously of breaking into the com'l game. The gang at Connersville have left for school, excepting W9DZX, W9FCB, W9FBH and W9AIP, who are going to work double shifts to make up for the loss. W9AKJ wants some good reliable skeds for the winter months. Cummings. W9FQ, RM for dist. 2, wishes to know why the delay from the So. Bend bunch, and requests that all the hams write him their reports for forwarding to the SCM.

Traffic: W9GGJ 2, W9DSC 6, W9GJS 15, W9AIP 12, W9CKG 4, W9DHJ 30, W9AKJ 16, W9AET 13, W9ETH 6. W9BHM 6, W9CVX 5, W 10, W9CKY 15, W9DDB 2. W9AHB 6, W9FBO 1, W9FCX

MICHIGAN — SCM, Ken Conroy, WSDYH — It's a pleasure to report this: Michigan breaks her record again. A total of 2834 messages were handled! Our section third last month - we're on our way keep it up! Four stations make the BPL: WSAEQ, WSDFE, WSMV and WSDYH. WSDED tried hard but missed by ten. Don't worry about WSDED next month. W9OV is QRL getting that certain something into his sig. W8CJK says RF am plification is NG above 3.5 mc. (Below 80 meters). W9HK is trying to put pep into the Upper Michigan gang. FB. W8CLN is having the usual "fun" and fireworks — changed to fifty and more volts. It looks like "Stone-hearted Tate," WSFX, is getting to be a "softie" — Tsk! Tsk! Miss W9GJX sez she has to chop holes in the ice to go swimmin'. (Wear a fur-lined bathing suit, Helen.) W8BBX sez '45 is the best QRP tube — his '10 is on the shelf for good. W8BJ keeps skeds and handles a nice bunch of tfc. W8DFE says, "We're all set for what have you?" W8SS hooked two VKs in one AM! WSACW handles his in ten daze, then coasts the rest of the month. W8DA is getting into the A-A net. the rest of the month. W8DA is getting into the A-A net. W8BJT had his call changed to W8RP. W8CSG blew his rectifier and is off temporarily. W8DDO "Rolled his own" plate transformer!! BIG NEWS! Miss Marian Lemen, (Dexter, Mich.) is Michigan's latest YL op, call W8JH—QRG 3.5 band—CW exclusively. W8AJC, our 00, QRA also Dexter, claims he's QRL!—What do you make of that Me. Hallers? Park Hall, is the student on the W8ZE. Mr. Holmes? Robt. Hall is the student op at W8ZF. WSBRS is in the transmitter-building game. He's good too. W8MV wonders, "How can they get so much trouble in one inch square?"—Crystal! W8DFS is all set for fall. one inch square?" — Crystal! W8DFS is all set for fall. W8TJ claims 5:30 to 7 a.m. E.S.T. is DX time on 7 mc. W8DVQ works mostly in the A-A net. W8AEQ is going to W980 to study Radio Engineering. Sorry to lose you, Jack. Here's luck. W8BDI and W8ACB report but say nothing uss! Cuss! Let's have a little dirt with your tfc. total, OB. W8DKT challenges any CW-man to a boxing match — to be held on 28 mc. (W8DEN and Russian papers please copy!) WSCAT gets out of his back yard now — next-door neighbors — key-clicks! W8DMS has his CC perking on 3754 ke. - and how! W8CJ is knocking off DX. W8DEH handles his share with an 'O1A on 3.5 mc. FB. W8DJQ's nancies his share with an OlA on 3.5 mc. FB. WSDVs chief op. Sheldon Drennon, left for school, so guess that station is on the racks from now on. W8BWJ is working both 7 and 14 mc. W8AKN, W8CSM, W8DKT and W8DVH are experimenting on 28 mc. W8BV hooked the Netherlands with a '10 tube. W8JD comes to life once more. sends in his first report. WSAUT, WSCKZ, WSCU, WSDSF and W9EGF say QRU. W9CE says things are on the "up and up." W8BGY has that DX appeal. W9AXE is sked hunting. W8CFQ can't keep his filter together - he has 1 kw pushing at it. WSGP has the old fifty on 3.5 mc. and every thing looks rosey. Off-frequency phonies keep W8DAQ in church - cuss! Cuss! Repenting. W8CVX and W8DJU of Saginaw, are after tfc. W8HO, with W8AP at the sledge-hammer, piled up a nice bunch. We are sorry to lose W8AGJ. It may not be long, blondes are so deceitful! Your Route Mgrs., W8CAT and WSDED, will help you line up skeds, if you will write C'mon you fellows, let's make that R in ORS stand out. Non-reporting stations are requested to report. We are going places, but will get farther with your support.

W8DYH 605, W8DFE 277, W8MV 261, 250, W8DED 190, W8DJQ 126, W8DEH 92, W8CAT 87, W8AGJ 75, W8JD 75, W8HO 67, W8BGY 65, W8BBX 64, W8AGJ 75, W8JD 75, W8HO 67, W8BGY 65, W8BBX 64, W8DDO 51, W8RP 50, W8AJC 48, W9HK 47, W8ACW 38, W8DMS 38, W8CJ 28, W8CLN 26, W9OV 25, W8AKN 24, W8BWJ 24, W8DAQ 21, W8CFQ 16, W9GJX 16, W8DVQ 14, W8SS 13, W8GP 9, W9AXE 9, W8CSG 8, W8BDI 6, W8DA 5, W9CE 5, W8BRS 4, W8CJK 4, W8BV 3, W8ACB 2, W8DOV 1, W8ZF 1. ILLINOIS—SCM, Fred J. Hinds, W9APY—You

Illinois boys are now beginning to show what kind of material we are made of - keep up this good work for we are out to top the list this winter. W9ERU (Route Manager for Illinois) is on 3800 daily from 7 to 7:30 p.m. C.S.T. for Chicago traffic especially. Work with him, OM's. W9BN0 is building a portable receiver. W9ERU wants all dope on Illinois skeds and those wanting skeds. W9DGZ is again with us with two 852's in parallel and a 3500-kc. fone. W9DOX is doing well with A-A work. W9CZL reports the air dead for DX but traffic rolling along nicely. The old reliable 50 watter went "West" at W9QI but all is going well again now. W9CFQ is doing nice work with his type '10 on 3.5 mc. He handled some WDDE traffic. An Xtal set will soon be installed at W9ANQ, W9BDW is our newest ORS. The Xtal at W9CNY will soon be going. W9FI is rebuilding the entire station for a busy season. A special 3.5-mc. set is being built at W9FPN for traffic this winter. W9DDE is getting back on the air. He took movies of the radio work and planes at the National Air Races at Curtis Field here last month. W9DXP has moved to Chicago from Iowa and will show us some real action. W9CYB has two "Bum Fists" from contacts with poison plants. Sorry, OM. The fone set at W9DAX has fourteen tubes and the receiver has ten tubes. Hi. W9GHP has his 50 watter going nicely. He is the chief operator at W9XAO and finds the television work very interesting. W9FUL has been doing fine work on 14 me with bootleg types '10. A new 7-mc. transmitter is going at W9FVO, W9GJJ is going to rebuild for the winter. W9CKM is starting up for a busy traffic season. W9CUH has having fun grinding a crystal for the new set. W9DZM has been doing great traffic work and reports a new station in his town in W9EFB. W9AMO has a new crystal banging away on KA traffic. There is a negative heterodyne frequency meter in use at W9BZO. W9M1 reports DX picking up as well as traffic. The motor generator at W9AFB burned out but that did not keep AFB off the air. W9KB has rebuilt and is on with a 50 watter. W9DJ is studying and collecting crystal data. W9BIR handled special traffic with California and made the BPL this month, as did W9DZM. Come on, fellows, more of you get in the BPL and make a big party. W9BRX had a regular schedule with the "Bowdoin," WDDE. W9AFN is pounding away with both a Herts and a Zepp with rectobulbs and a type '11. W9FPN has his MOPA on 28 me.

Traffie: W9DZM 294, W9BIR 288, W9CIL 102, W9CZL 43, W9AMO 38, W9ACU 34, W9MI 33, W9FUL 27. W9AFN 19, W9CFQ 18, W9AFF 12, W9EMN 12, W9APY 11, W9BRX 10, W9BZO 10, W9BDW 9, W9KB 9, W9CUH 8, W9CNY 7, W9ANQ 6, W9AD 5,

W9DOX 5, W9CKM 1, W9ERU 1, W9GJJ 1.
OHIO — SCM, Harry A. Tummonds, W8BAH -

ang, plenty of reports in and plenty to write about. Some FB totals were turned in for this month. W8BAC has a new 50-ft. pole and is out to make the BPL. W8APC, now located in Toledo, turns in a report which is FB for a change of W8ADS handled a college registration by radio. FB, OB. W8BKM has daily skeds with Erie and Cleveland. He also reports that WSCEI is on now. WSDWH is rebuilding. WSDHP burnt out his tube. Tuff luck, OB. WSAFF is now with G.E. at Erie, Pa. WSLI reports that he has been busy working on a new receiver. When it's finished look out for his traffic totals. W8RN is still operating on KFNA and wants the gang to write him care of S.S. Grand Island Marine, P.O. Detroit. WSOQ is getting started again and will be on 7200 kc. W8DBK has enrolled at U. of Dayton. He reports that W8BYR (phone) and W8DSN (CW) are now on the air from O.S.U. at Columbus. WSDVL is getting better results and reports with a new filter. WSARW had a total of 15. Congrats, OB, on moving into your own home W8BBH says he is building a new receiver. FB, OB. Exped you to double your total next month. W8CNM makes application for ORS, and also wants skeds with Canadian stations. W8AKA, Cleveland Amateur Radio Assn, reports that they are now on 7235 ke, with a new 250-watt job. Their new officers are W8DGP, Pres.; W8UC, Vice-Pres. and W8BS, Sec. and Treas. Their station is on every nite, ready for skeds and traffic, and to date have wkded all districts, 35 states and a total of over 250 stations. FB. WSCX will be an ORS by next report. WSBGX has just returned from Florida and has already lined up some skeds FB, OB. Let's have a good total next month. W8BDU will also be an ORS by next report. Congrats, OB. W8BF has been doing some FB work on 14-mc. skeds with the Pacific WSBF has also been appointed chief operator of WSCWA, Cleveland Airport Station. Some fine totals have

been coming through showing traffic handled on phone, and WSCWA, the Cleveland Wireless Assn. Inc., station at the Cleveland Airport, reports a total of 84. FB, gang. W8DBU reports that operators are on that station every nite and that the club has adopted a policy of Rag chewing and traffic handling, They have applied for ORS. Would appreciate reports from other club stations in Ohio, too. We have been advised that complete data on procedure for handling traffic over phone will be included in the next issue of the Handbook, WSBAX is lining up some skeds for next month, also has two xmitters, two bugs, a mill and is all set for traffic. FB, OB. Double that total next month. W8DIH has been playing chess and checkers by radio lately. W8DDQ reports six licensed operators in Norwalk now. WSDPF is playing semi-pro football in Akron this year. WSBQF returned from a trip to Europe as op. WSDS is operating on the Great Lakes. WSCMB operates on 7184 kc. WSBYN reports that he will be off the air for awhile, and sends 73 to the gang. We all wish you best of luck at your location at Dayton, Howard, and hope to hear you on the air agn soon. Sure glad to meet the gang at the Dayton Convention. The boys in Dayton did a good job. W8CWU, WSCVM and WSDTP of Alliance dropped in to see the SCM recently and were still talking about the Conv. Wish to thank the gang for the expression of best wishes and the prompt reports received to date. Now, let's all get busy and get together. "Put Ohio on Top." What's that? Yes, WSBAH is on the air too, and for regular skeds will be on WSCWA, phone, every Monday nite. CUL, 73.

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KENTUCKY — SCM, J. B. Wathen, III, W9BAZ —

W9JL wins the ORS pin given to the station with the highest total June 15th to Sept. 15th.: total 409. Nice going, Fred. W9OX is falling in line with an a.e. receiver. W9AZY is working both 3.5 and 7 ke. Get him to arrange skeds for you. W9AUH is still pumping 'em out. W9ARU is building a W8AYO receiver. That "8" sure started sumpin. W9FZV passes in news of B.G. bunch. W9FZL has a ham first grade. wegGAL is struggling for a commercial ticket W9BAZ spends his evenings chasing mosquitoes with a vacuum spends his evenings chasing inosquitoes with a vacuum avenum weeper. W9BAN will swap station photos with anyone. Send 'em along so be can fill up his album. W9AIN has a fine looking C.C. xmtr, glass-inclosed. W9GGB is busy with school just now. Replacing "B" bats with tube rect. improved W9ALR's output. By the time this gets into print. we will know W9ELL's "surprise." Stations desiring to get in the A.A. net, write W9BAZ. Come on, fellows, get those reports in. Are there any YL or OW ops in this Section?

Traffic: W9JL 223, W9OX 24, W9AZY 17, W9AUH 11, W9ARU 4, W9BAZ 2, W9FZV 1, W9AJY 3, W9ELL 2. WISCONSIN — SCM, C. N. Crapo, W9VD — W9GFL

is back in school but keeps the air hot on 7000 kc. with two schedules. W9EBO got back on the air September 1st on 7000 ke. and will be on 14,000 soon. W9DTK is sending out Navy drills regularly. Many of the Wisconsin boys were on the Naval Reserve cruises this summer. W9OT reports that W9DVG, W9DHJ and W9OT were shipmates for two weeks aboard NAPS. W9EPJ wants the gang to know that the Badger Amateur Radio Club holds meetings the first Sunday of each month at Menasha and invites all amateurs sunday of each month at Menasna and invites all amateurs to attend. W9VD is operating regularly on 3740 and 7150 kc. W9EJX is a new 3500-kc. phone station at Neenah. W9EBD is going to send code practice for beginners on 1750 kc. again this winter. W9BPR is rebuilding. W9DV has rebuilt entirely and done away with remote control. W9FFX is a new ham at Neenah, having moved there from Chicago. W9FZY is selling out. W9FXG will be on with an MOPA very soon W9FSS went on 25-day cruise on the U.S.S.C. 412 as R. adioman 2c. W9BIB is back from Canada and reports that "10% sure is FB". Hi. The SCM is at new QRA—2111 East Newton Ave., Milwaukee. All reports should be mailed there in the future.

Traffic: W9GFL 67, W9EBO 41, W9DTK 14, W9OT 7, W9EPJ 5, W9VD 6.

DAKOTA DIVISION

ORTHERN MINNESOTA — SCM, C. L. Jabs, W9BVH — W9GGQ is back on the air for the coming season and is looking for good schedules. W9EHI
has little time to operate. W9CIY has his CC job going and is very pleased with it. W9BHH has a new fifty watter and

an 1100-volt generator, W9EGU has his station going and will handle traffic soon. W9BCT and W9EHO are inactive. W9AAN (W9IK) is teaching at Hewitt and will have a fone set on 1750 kc. W9ARE sends in a fine report on activities but failed to report his traffic. His new CC job works FB and traffic is good. W9FFL is busy at the Duluth Junior College and reports W9YK, under the direction of Prof. Cosandy, will be on with W9CKI, W9FAQ, and W9FFL as operators. He also reports a new station at Duluth, W9FVN. W9GKM will be on soon. W9GKO reports the A.R.A. Radio Club has organized a traffic department with ops to handle traffic thru, from and to Duluth. FB. W9DOQ has his station going in Duluth and reports a very good turn-out for the A R.A. Club meetings. The SCM visited W9EGU and W9FNJ at Henning. His schedule with W6CF is not going so good at present due to very poor radio condition. All signals on the 7-me, band fade out completely around 10 p.m. W9ASW is back on the air after four years' inactivity. W5KS is op at WRHM and also pounds brass at home when time permits. Thanks, fellows, for the fine reports received this month. Let's try and put a star in our section next month.

Traffic: W9BVH 44, W9GGQ 10, W9EHI 5, W8CIY 4,

W9BHH 3.

SOUTHERN MINNESOTA - SCM, J. C. Pehoushek, W9EFK—W9COS is beginning his regular schedule.
W9DRG has been handling traffic and working dx. W9BN
is on consistently, with five oprs. W9AQH will handle less
traffic as court has opened. W9EFK has turned PCL with a new Radiola Super. W9AIR had a very pleasant two weeks on the U.S.N.R. cruise. He says the local gang is taking on new life and promises lots of activity. W9BNN is back at the key for the winter session. He and W9CKU claim to have their preacher whistling code on the pulpit. W9CKU is installing remote control. W9EYS is a new ham in Southern Minn., living next to W9BNN. W9FLE is planning a fall hamfest. W9GHO has been out of town but will be active soon. W9DMA is going on 14 mc. W9AKN worked some dx but nm as he is starting the U. W9DBC has rebuilt his xmitter and will be on 14 mc. W9DSH visited the Duluth gang. Bob says W9CH is the new call at WRHM. W9DOP has been active on 14 mc. He also is attending the and is out for football. W9FPY is a new ham at Luverne. W9BXE has been busy with the Military Show at Fort Snelling. W9ELA BTW have their crystal control set working fine. W9DH is planning a 14-me. low power rig. All ORS who do not report the month following the time this is

in print will be cancelled.

Traffic: W9COS 177, W9DRG 82, W9BN 51, W9AQH
40, W9EFK 11, W9BNN 8, W9AIR 6.

SOUTH DAKOTA — SCM, Howard Cashman, W9DNS W9DB reports alone this month. W9FOQ is reported working on an 860 job. W9DB keeps South Dakota in the

Army. Traffic too tragic to be funny.

NORTH DAKOTA — SCM, Guy L. Ottinger, W9BVF Business seems to be picking up some. Three stations handled some traffic this month. Every one interested in a N. Dak. QSO party write the SCM for details. W9DYA is going to be with us again this winter and wants to handle some traffic. W9DGS is looking for some good skeds. The SCM is getting the AARS work going. W9DOY is rebuilding and making an MOPA set now

Traffic: W9BVF 70, W9DGS 8, W9DOY 3.

DELTA DIVISION

RKANSAS - SCM, H. E. Velte, W5ABI - We are glad to report that our reports are improving as well as our traffic totals. We had only three stations that handled traffic this last month. With the coming of cooler weather we expect to hear most of the gang back on the air. Little Rock has two new stations, W5BPE and W5RW. Welcome, OMs. They each have a 210 on 7 mc. W5BKB has a new a.c. receiver. W5BMI is the traffic leader this month. Congratulations, OM. W5SI has been on the Naval Reserve Cruise and expects to have an 852 on the air this winter. W5IQ and W5ABI have been doing some experimenting on 28 mc. W5BDB is working for an aviator's license and says he will be on more after he gets it. W5AQX is figuring on a new layout at his station. W5BDD is back after being off all summer. Beginning next month we will appoint the station handling the most traffic our Banner Station. Each month every station has a chance to win the title, BANNER STATION. The contest is to run for 12 months after which time the winner will be picked and his station will represent the best traffic handler in ARKANSAS. Such station shall bear the title of Gold Medal Station. Now, gang, let's see who will win the title, Let's go.

Traffie: W5BMI 38, W5ABI 34, W5BKB 10.

TENNESSEE — SCM, James B. Witt, W4SP — The weather is FB now for our traffic work and we should have several more reports next month. I will expect reports from hams who have been off the air for the summer months. W4CW comes through with the best report this month. W4RP says that he will have all skeds going again soon. There are several ORS not reporting and some sections of the state not even heard from. Send in those reports, fellows, if you want Tenn. to have a good report.

Traffie: W4CW 72, W4AGW 39, W4AFM 26, W4RP 5.

HUDSON DIVISION

YEW YORK CITY AND LONG ISLAND — SCM, T. Kenney, W2BGO — Of 29 ORS we received 17 reports this month. Great! Your inactivity will cancellation of that appointment, and that's as sure as QRN on 3.5- and QRM on the 7-mc. bands. You fellows who apply for ORS and then forget to report for three consecutive months will never get the appointment. Any wideawake stations desiring ORS appointment are invited to send for the application blanks, but do not do so unless you intend to take care of the job conscientiously. Manhattan: W2BCB sits up late once in a while now. W2BDJ, after returning from the camp with the 27th Special Troops, is rebuilding and will use CC. W2CMJ is a new station and wants QSO's. Bronx: W2CYX leads his boro in traffic. W2FF receives most of his traffic from NN1SC. W2AXG blew out his rectifier. W2AQG promises to have a 50-watter perking by the time this is in print. W2AET is studying journalism at N. Y. U. W2AII is also rebuilding. W2VG ports great results with his new Low C Hartley. Aside from keeping nightly skeds with NJ2PA and CM8ST. W2APV is rebuilding and will have an MOPA perking on all bands. W2AFO has his troubles with man-made QRN. Brooklyn: W2ARQ leads the section in traffic with W2ATZ and W2APK tied for second place in Brooklyn. W2BEV is using a '01A until a '10 tube is available. W2BJF and W2ARE are building a station for the 165th Infantry, A new club is being organized in Brooklyn meet ing at W2BJF's shack on Friday nights. W2PF is back on the air. W2BRB can be heard on 14 mc, with both CW and fone. W2BZH has a MOPA and likes it very well. Long Island: Our L. I. RM is the only one to report from those parts and it's his 18th consecutive report. He tells us that W2AST is again active in Long Beach. W2AFO and W2AIQ,

Official Observers, report many stations off frequency.
Traffic: Bronx — W2CYX 41, W2FF 40, W2AFO 16,
W2AXG 11, W2AQG 9, W2AET 8, W2BGO 5, W2AII 2.
Manhattan — W2SC 35, Brooklyn — W2ARQ 44, W2APK
29, W2ATZ 29, W2BEV 10, W2BRB 8, W2BJF 6. Long

Island - W2AVP 14.

EASTERN NEW YORK - SCM, H. J. Rosenthal, W2QU - Now that summer vacations are over the ORS are expected to report regularly if they want to retain their ORS designation. The Pioneer Radio Club took advantage of the dull summer period to get the club house all ready for intensive work in the fall and winter months. Receivers and transmitters there are in the pink of condition, and the club hopes for a WAC before many months. W2ACD starts the fall right by converting his 'phone to CW and piling up a good traffic total in the last few days of the month. W2ACB is looking for some good reliable schedules. W2LU is keep ing 4 reliable skeds and leads the section in traffic this month W2UO is away from home and is temporarily on the in-active list. Ex-3CKL has moved to Schenectady. What's your new call, OM? W2ACY is keeping a reliable sked with W6AJ. W2BJA spent a day of his vacation with W8ARX and operated the W8ARX 250-watt transmitter. W2BER spent part of his vacation getting a commercial ticket. W2BKN is one of five licensed hams working for the Yonkers Light Co. He is considering starting a club. W2QN worked Italian 1AU on 14-me. 'phone. W2AVS is nursing a pair of sore ears since testing out his a.c. SG receiver. Evidently it has some kick. W2BWB is using the new 230 tubes for receiving and says they are twice as good as 199s. W2ANZ is attending M.I.T., but will pound brass at home on week-ends. W2CEX has applied for an ORS appointment. W2BSH spent his vacation climbing Mount Marcy and Greylock. W2FN and W2BIQ have just re-ceived their ORS appointments.

Traffic: W2BSH 11. W2CEX 25. W2ANZ 7, W2ACB 1,

W2ACD 37, W2LU 98, X-W3CKL 12, W2ACY 3, W2BJA 1, W2BER 15, W2QN 7, W2QU 46.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY - SCM, A. G. Wester. W2WR - All amateurs mourn at the passing on of W2AS, and our sincere sympathy goes out to his parents. Traffic work at W2JF has taken a jump, but he still com-plains that ORS ignore his letters. Let's give our new RM. a helping hand, gang. W2AOS is now busy U.S.N.R. skeds, which will swell his traffic total. W2CFQ is now a full-fledged ORS. W2APU reports conditions very poor for traffic. Skeds take care of poor conditions, OM, W2BPY had contact with XU5WA, the "Empress of Russia." W2BDF is now working for Colonial Airways, installing radios on airplanes at Port Newark. W2CJX is working with auxiliary equipment until his big set gets completed. W2CO is back on the air after a long silence and uses an MOPA. W2AMR has applied for an ORS as has W2CPD. W2CDQ is going full force with an xtal, W2BPG and W2AHL of Verona make their initial reports. They must keep the ether hot in that small town. W2BJZ has trouble clearing traffic. W2ZC is still doing fine international traffic work and handled messages going to King George and Premier Mussolini via the Oriental route, which extends from Shanghai-to-Paris. W2WR is installing

Traffic: W2JF 51, W2AOS 36, W2CFQ 10, W2APU 1, W2AGX 3, W2BPY 3, W2BDF 3, W2CJX 10, W2AMR 36, W2CDQ 18, W2BPG 8, W2AHL 20, W2BJZ 2.

MIDWEST DIVISION

EBRASKA—SCM, S. C. Wallace, W9FAM—W9DI leads the traffic handlers. W9DFR is second. W9CFJ says lightning wrecked his transmitter. W9BEX has cancelled skeds as he is very busy. W9QY says radio punk on account of weather. W9DVR reports. W9DTH says he had a good time at convention in Topeka, Kans W9EHW says traffic slow. W9BQR was also down to Topeka Convention and reports fine time. W9BOQ wants West Nebraska sked. W9BYG has the fever at last since he got rid of the SCM ship. W9EEW says he is busy dispatching trains. W9FAM blew the old 50.

Traffic: W9DI 13, W9DFR 12, W9CPJ 6, W9BEX 5.

IOWA — SCM, H. W. Kerr, W9DZW — And now let's get down to tfc., gang! Vacations over; Navy net working and Army net warming up; let's have the traffic totals, fellows! W9BCL tops in tfc. this month, and is going after an ORS. W9ACL has two sets wkg and can QSY any band in ten seconds. W9FUD's QRA is now Bellevue, Nebr., where he is in Airways Radio Service. W9EJQ, our RM, is waiting for your skeds, gang! W9FZO qualifies as OO with a GE meter, new receiver, and new power supply putting a FB sig on the air. W9CKQ still keeps his VK5HG daily sked; has new monitor and is QRX for Std. Freq. transmissions. W9FFD mourns a fifty bottle, but is going again with xtal MOPA. W9FIF was hrd in New Zealand on 3500; tax for tfc report, OM. W9FWG and W9DNZ report. Your SCM enjoyed the Kansas Convention very much; Iowa was rep resented by three others of the gang; we should have had more; the Kaw Valley Club makes one feel at home this in mind gang and take in Topeka's next! Phil Konkle, W9YI, engr. of WOI, has left to go with RCA Victor; sorry to lose him; Mr. Huntsinger takes his place. W9EFH was calling on the Soo City gang and GP the first of the month. Come again, Chuck. W9EST plans to be on again as soon as he gets moved. W9DVS joins the gang at Iowa State. W9EVJ is at Waterloo with A. T. & T. and is on the air with 50-watter on 7000 kc. W9DXP sends 73 from Chicago and sez a new YL at his house since September 1st. sez a German sthn gave him a report and noted he had relatives in Davenport. Listen for W9DIB, gang! Send your skeds, or wants for Iowa skeds to W9EJQ, our RM. Send tfc reports the 16th to W9DZW. Always glad to get them.

Traffic W9BCL 44, W9DZW 3, W9ACL 25, W9EJQ 21, W9FZO 15, W9CKQ 11, W9FFD 4, W9FIF 4.

MISSOURI — SCM, L. B. Laizure, W9RR — A convention was staged in St. Louis on the 19th and 20th of September which was well attended considering the short notice; this afforded all a chance to meet a number of fellows we have worked but never met in person. It is proposed to hold another one next year. W9DXY rebuilt the works and is putting in xtal. W9AMR has been concentrating on foreign DX and sends in a list of 28 stations worked. W9FTA led in total traffic with 149 msgs. W9ECI applied for ORS but has more trouble with power leaks. A meeting for Mr. Budlong of HQ was held in St. Louis on his way home from

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the Topeka Convention, September 6th-7th. Forty-four hams were on hand for the St. Louis hamfest; about 25 were at a similar one held at W9ZD in Kansas City the night beat a similar one held at WYZD in Kansas City the night be-fore. W9BEU says QRW with job so no tfe. In collaboration with W8BOR he built a SW xmtr for the endurance plane which worked successfully in spite of installation while the plane was in the air by fellows who are not radio men and operated by them afterward. This set was shown at the convention. W9ATX is a first-time reporter this month. FB, OM. W9ZK is still shut down mostly waiting for cooler WX, when operating can be done in comfort. Most of the Kansas City fellows forgot to report this time, so that the SCM cannot say much for them. W9DQN led in traffic while W9CFL was second with U.S.N.R. net traffic. A large delegation went from K. C. to the Topeka Convention as usual, sufficient to swing the liars contest in favor of W9DQN since popular vote decided the winner. The joke was on DQN, however, as he is a confirmed tfc man and the prize was a mike. His fall from grace is freely predicted. W9RR broke a record by not winning a prize at Topeka; however, a pair of 281's came home from St. Louis. W9ZK and W9DXY were among the long-distance visitors at Topeka, with several Nebraskans and Iowans present. Seven fellows signed up for the U.S.N.R. W9CFL walked off with a Thorpower pot at Topeka, while W9DOE did the same at St. Louis, again proving it is hard to beat the U.S.N.R. when it comes to carrying off prizes, W9DLL of K. C. applied for a commission in the U.S.N.R. KWKC made an offer to buy the towers at W9RR, but no luck. W9RR would have probably sold his shirt in preference. W9BGO demitted as ORS this month to Oklahoma Section. His new QRA is Musko-gee. W9EPX kept up his sked with W9EPY, but moved to Columbia, Mo. The SCM got a long bill of complaint against wer QRM put out in SW Mo. by the Mo. Utilities Co. HV line, which is all of 2300 volts (hi, hi). W9GHM-W9DZN reports again from the S/S P. J. Hurley where he pounds brass. W9GAR sent in a combined tfc report for all summer. W9ASV had his station damaged by lightning that came in off the power line. Following this his pole was blown down. W9BJA is trying to set up the skeds on 3.5 me. for the season, but reports WX still bad for that band. W9ENF is putting but reports WA still bad for that band. W9ENF is putting up a new 3.5-mc. Zepp. W9CLQ has been playing the DX hams. W9BGN has rebuilt extensively for the coming season. W9DHN resigned as RM owing to QRM of going to college at Fayette, Mo. W9EYB of Festus is also at the same school, so owl boiling will probably be in order. W9DCD sent in a report that was so long his antenna fell down while he was writing it. W9AWE had the misfortune to lose a large stock of boat motors when his boathouse burned. All hands are impatiently awaiting the conclusion of the contest for Midwest Director to fill the present va-

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KANSAS — SCM, J. H. Amis, W9CET — W9GHI is

going strong with a 203A and is lining up a nice bunch of skeds. W9FLG is installing Xtal but will be on again soon. W9EEM is helping the SCM build a lattice mast. W9EVT and W9BHR are building a new rig for the Gov. net. W9DEB is busy getting the Topeka U.S.N.R. unit going. A UV211 has replaced the type '10 at W9BGL with lots better results. W9BTG is going to school at Manhattan and has an xmitter on the air. W9HL hopes to have some skeds and more traffic later. W9ESL lost two 866's and a couple of filter condensers. A new xmitter is under way at W9CKV. W9CHX is on with Xtal on 7118 kc. and would like to have some skeds. W9EBF joins us from the Nebr. Section and is in school at Lawrence. W9FIG and W9FUG are working on 56 mc. W9BSD will be on soon with Xtal. The KVRC is holding meetings the second and fourth Friday, 8:00 p.m., at the Topeka Chamber of Commerce. All hams are invited to attend. Your SCM would like to have ore reports and larger tfc totals. Fall is here, gang, so let's all get busy.

Traffie: W9CET 37, W9GHI 6, W9HL 2, W9FLG 22.

NEW ENGLAND DIVISION

ESTERN MASSACHUSETTS - SCM, Leo R. Peloquin, WIJV — With the evenings getting longer, radio activities in this section are on the upgrade. However, the SCM is not at all satisfied with the way ORS are reporting and unless every certificate holder reports regularly, the SCM will be obliged to make cancellations. Most of the boys are rebuilding and that can mean

but one thing, that every one is anxious to get back at their keys and receivers. Let's go, boys, and good luck. W1APL is on with a new 50-watter on 14,000 kc. at his new location. W1ADO has been busy at Station WORC, pounding brass on the Morse wire. WIASY has just been appointed ORS. Congratulations, OM. WIAFU is doing good traffic work and is working on all bands. WIBVR is on regularly and keeps at least two schedules each week. WIBNL is at his new QRA and will be looking for schedules after Oct. 1st. WINS introduced a new ham recently, WIAJN, and took him on a trip to Springfield, Northampton and WIMK, where, I am sure, he was welcomed by the gang. W1CTF says it won't be long now before he will be sitting at his key five hrs. a night. Hi. W1BZJ is building a new set using a 50-watter. W1BKQ, the Worcester Radio Assn., will reopen Oct. 1st, meetings every Thursday evening. Every one is

Traffic: W1BVR 7, W1AFU 31, W1ASY 6, W1APL 10, W1JV 4, W1BEG 8.

MAINE — SCM, G. C. Brown, W1AQL — Well, gang, out of nineteen ORS seven reported this month. What is the trouble with the rest of the bunch? It does not matter whether you handle traffic or not Sand in the done on what whether you handle traffic or not. Send in the dope on what is going on in your part of the State. There are a few of the gang who will lose their ORS ticket soon, if there aren't some reports within the next two months. Let's get going, fellows, and put the Maine Section on the map again. What say? Now that the SCM has got that off his chest, it is fitting and proper that a word be said about the Convention. The Portland gang sure put on a fine time and deserve a lot of credit. Those that were unable to attend sure missed out on a real Ham get-together. Next year we will all shake hands at Auburn and when the time arrives, let's all plan to go and help McShane, W1QY, put over the usual fine Convention. The Queen City boys received a pleasant surprise recently, in the form of a visit from Fred J. Elser, KA3AA. Readers of QST will, no doubt, recall Mr. Elser's article in QST, relative to his trip thru Europe in a Ford coupe, in which he carried a short wave station. Phil Gould, W1ALZ, took advantage of Headquarters' fine offer to attend the Eastern States Exposition at Springfield, Mass., and gave WIAFA is high man this month. FB, Bob, keep it up. W1BE, best at the key, is a close second. W1AHY reports that he has returned from his summer home at Peaks Island that he has returned from his summer home at Peaks Island and wants some good schedules for this fall and winter. WIAPU says that the Oldtown Wireless Club, of pre-war fame is to be reorganized. FB, OM. Mr. and Mrs. WIAJC report having schedule with RXIAA and handling traffic to and from his wife, who is vacationing in Maine. FB. WIOG, Belfast, wants a few schedules for this winter. WIBLI has received his ORS ticket and is looking for traffic. WIAUR reports very little activity from his station this summer. WIANH says that he is looking for five Maine stations who are interested in scheduled traffic. There is your chance, gang. Drop Harry a line. W1QH is building an MOPA to be used on the 14,000 and 7000 bands. FB, Ben. W1KQ has returned from Northeast Harbor and will be on the air ready for traffic this fall. Jack Pierce, formerly of W1EB, was in town recently and had a rag chew with some of the gang.

Traffic: W1AFA 61, W1BE 62, W1FQ 30, W1QH 27, Mrs. AJC 22, W1AJC 12, W1BLI 20, W1OG 19, W1AQL 9. CONNECTICUT — SCM, Frederick Ells, Jr., W1CTI - Hartford: WIMK is still pushing out tons of traffic and makes the BPL both ways. WIUE promises to be on the air before this is in print. WIASD has been working on his portable and expects to have a good signal at WIJN this year. Waterbury: W1BBU has been appointed ORS and is on 3560 kc. looking for traffic. W1HD is back on the air with crystal control and needs some reliable schedules. Look for him on 3695 and 7235 kc. Windsor: W1AOI is on the air and has a schedule with W1CTI. Milford: W1AMQ visited the second district over a week end and is thinking seriously of xtal. W1HQ is rebuilding after blowing power supply. He paid a visit to the Bridgeport Radio Club. Norwalk: W1CTI returned from vacation and managed to find plenty of traffic in two weeks. W1BWM says his frequency meter doesn't agree with W1AXV. What happened to W1NE and W1BGC? New Haven: W1BHM says he will be not the air again shortly after the support layoff. on the air again shortly after the summer lay-off. W1TD had trouble with his sky wire but has it all fixed now. W1BVW says QRL with a YL in Devan. W1AMG wants to hear from all those in the four southern counties interested in U.S.N.R. work. W1BQH-W1BI says school QRM keeps

him inactive. Middletown: W1AJB has a nice total and a good d.c. note. Where is W1CTB? Let's have a line from you and the rest of the gang on the 16th. Bridgeport: W1ZL reports that 28-mc, experimentation will be carried on at his station this year. Let's hear from W1BM and the rest of the Bridgeport bunch. Wallingford: W1CER sends in his first which is greatly appreciated. Welcome, OM! Danbury: WIADW is the proud owner of a commercial ticket and has a wicked signal on 3500-ke, band. What has happened to W10S. Reports would be appreciated! Newtown: W1VB is still pounding out. FB. The SCM would like to hear from any stations in the following cities: Stamford, Greenwich, Bristol, New Britain, New London and Torrington. Remember, deliveries are what count in the contest — QSP or deliver within forty-eight hours. We predict that winning station will be the one who keeps regular, reliable schedules. Get busy and give the SCMs some competition. See you all on 3500 kc. - CTNITE - 15th of every month after 7 p.m.

Traffie: W1MK 395, W1CTI 43, W1AJB 35, W1AMG 15, WIAMQ 11, W1HQ 4, W1ASD 2, W1BBU 4, W1BVW 5, W1CER 2, W1HD 11.

EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS — SCM, Miles W. Weeks, W1WV — An unusual number of new stations have started reporting and the increased activity is most gratifying. At Norwood, two new stations, W1ATX and W1CAW start reporting. W1CQN is rebuilding. W1CCP has a new antenna and has improved his note after some Xmtr changes. W1ASI was able to get early news of the German planes via VE1AX. W1BKR is on with a new Mopa. W1ABG took a N.Y.C. message from Newfoundland bound for Springfield, Mass. Hi. He has a new sked with W1ATA, W1WU has started up again on 3500 with some new skeds. WILQ is on 3950 kc. and handled tfc from RX1AA. WIBXB was on a U.S.N.R. cruise. WICRA says WIAJF will be spelling him until he gets well set at Harvard. While on his vacation, WIAAT visited VE2BB, VE2AP and Mr. and Mrs. WIAJC. W1AZE worked four continents on 14,000 kc. fone this month. Using plug-in Xmtr coils, W1KH can now QSY any of three bands in 20 seconds. He was QSO Brazil to show it had not affected his efficiency. W1WV was QSO Europe, Africa and the West Coast on 14,000 but is more interested in getting tic skeds with S. Mass., R. I. and Conn. on 3500. WILM reports tfc. W1BZQ is rebuilding for more tfc on 7000. WIAMB has moved to South Boston and starts reporting tfc. W1ACD also has ORS ambitions and a little tfc to report. He was QSO HAF5C on 7000. W1PS also submits his initial report. W1AVA sends in a good tfc report. W1ADK has moved and will have remote control in his new location. He and WIANK will soon have their ORS appointments. W1BCF reports he has not moved to Detroit as previously reported but is still looking for tfc at Attleboro. WIACH is the only one to make BPL this month. WICHR has moved his station from his summer QRA at Nonquitt back to Brookline and looks forward to a busy tfc sea W1KY will soon have her station moved to the new Club quarters of the E.M.A.R.A. at 48 Lake View Ave., Cambridge, which will also house the new Club station. Visitors to Boston and vicinity are urged to drop in any evening. Official Observers in this Section are reminded that the SCM has received no reports from them for some time. Are you still "observing" or don't you hear any off-frequency stations now? Numerous complaints have been received of fone stations operating in the 3500-ke. band as much as 100 ke. outside of the allotted fone band. This form of unnecessary QRM is particularly irritating and aside from being illegal shows poor sportsmanship when it is realized how many CW signals are blotted out by one such fone carrier.

Traffie: W1WV 152, W1CRA 149, W1BXB 127, W1ACH 121, W1ABG 110, W1BZQ 49, W1KH 48, W1AVA 35, W1CHR 34, W1AAT 33, W1AZE 31, W1CCP 26, W1LQ 17, W1BCF 12, W1AMB 11, W1PS 10, W1ATX 9, W1LM WICQN 7, WIAGS 6, WIACD 6, WICAW 5, WIWU 4, WIASII

VERMONT - SCM, Clayton Paulette, W1IT - Hello, gang. Here I am again after a very pleasant summer at Camp. Very glad to be back. Have got the old set dusted off and will be on the air fairly regularly from now on. We now have a very lively station in W1ATF, Harry Page, located at Hinesburg. He has been reporting regularly all summer Keep it up. W1BD reports that he has been appointed N.C.S. of Vt. Army-Amateur Net. FB, OM. We are all with you 100%. W1BJP reports to say he has had tough luck as he burned out all tubes, chokes, voltmeter and two rheostats in his receiver on account of short circuit in tuning condenser.

Traffie: W1BJP 7, W1ATF 14. NEW HAMPSHIRE — SCM, V. W. Hodge, W1ATJ — W1BFT and W1NZ are at N.H.U. where BFT has an MOPA on all bands. W1BJF is putting up a new mast and will have a new Hertz. W1AUY has been trouble shooting for the BCLS. W1CDT ought to put out a mean sig with his new 250, xtal controlled. Congratulations to WIAPK, who was married Sept. 10th. W1IP has been having trans mitter trouble on 14,000. He says he will be going on 3500 soon and keeping his old traffic skeds again. W1MB is back on the air with a 210. W1BIS is trying a super-het on high frequencies. W1BAC says he has had trouble with his filter system but is still trying for that PDC note. W1NZ is usin a 171 with 235 volts B batt and gets good reports. W1UN spent a couple of weeks on the West Coast.

Traffic: W1IP 23, W1APK 16, W1NZ 7, W1BFT 4,

W1BAC 4, W1AUY 1, W1BJF 32.

NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

- SCM, Oscar E. Johnson, W7AKZ reports two skeds which help his tfc total. Between "fighting" his Mesny burning out R.F. meters and worrying about rectifier tubes W7AT is having a "wonderful" time. W7ATX is a new ham in Coeur d'Alene. W7ACD says new a.c. tuner vy fb and that he is still on 3.5, 7, and 14 mc. W7FB continues to work on 7 and 14 mc. A dece 210 is keeping W7AW off the air for a short time. W7AIH has his xtal on 14 mc. W7ACP is keeping 3 skeds. Dame rumor tells us that W7AFN has taken the "fatal step." What about it, OM? W7ALW works his fone on 3.5 and can now boast a commercial second ticket. W7AJQ has moved to Seattle where he will attend the U. of W. W7ACN paid a visit to W7ACD. W7AGH is having a lot of trouble with xmitters but is rebuilding again. W7AKZ has 50-watt xtal

OREGON - SCM, Wilbur S. Claypool, W7UN -W7AMF reports listening all day for the Bromley transpacific flyers. W7AHZ was his guest during the month. Coos Bay hams all have a.c. revrs working or under construction. W7WL has one which he thinks the world of. W7IF gets a nice bunch of tfc. W7ZD raised his first ZL station this month. W7APE sent in his first report. W7MV is having tuff time with his crystal grinding. Any one wishing to trade stn fotos should see W7QY, who just had some new made. W7AMQ boasts of a VK qso this month. W7AHX has two xmitters on now and is all set fer coming season. He rounded up a lot of news from the Eugene vicinity. W7AHZ moved to a gra with no pwr leaks. FB. W7AHA is back on agn and will show a large report next time. W7UJ is using Push Pull. W7AAR is going to attend Oregon State College W7PE repts one delivery. The SCM is back on air agn and has an 80-foot mast now. Many of the old reliables forgot to report. Wotsa matter? W7AP spent his vacation with the SCM. W7AJW is contemplating on moving the shack off the battleship. Let's all boost for Oregon in tfc totals. "ON TO OREGON

Traffie: W7AMF 34, W7WL 33, W7IF 32, W7ZD 27, W7APE 26, W7MV 18, W7QY 16, W7AMQ 8, W7AHX 22, W7PI 2, W7AHZ 8, W7AHA 2, W7PE 1, W7UN 12.

WASHINGTON - SCM, Eugene A. Piety, W7ACS W7AAE comes through with flying colors and breaks a hundred for the traffic lead this month. Every one reports that the wx is getting much better for radio and the traffic is increasing. Fine, let's have a few more reports now. W7QF sends in his application for ORS and says that he is rebuilding his 250 to crystal control. W7OV is now Route Manager for Western Washington. All you fellows who are interested in good skeds write to him and he will line you up. W7APR reports for the first time. W7KZ and W7AIT keep Olympia on the air and relay quite a few messages. W7BR is finally settled and promises to report faithfully from now on. W7GR in his first report says that all of his messages are handled on fone. W7RT takes second place by virtue of a W6 sked. W7BB's traffic has fallen off due to YLitis. Tuff! W7AG thinks he will have to move due to a 66-k.w. line in front of his shack. W7AQM also reports for the first time. The conditions in Everett are much better now according to W7TK. W7AHV would like to see more hams on 3.5 kc. where there is no interference. (?) W7BA merely reports messages. W7KT has his new comm. ticket after some intensive study. W7FJ is now ORS but forgets to report. Now that wx is getting better let's hear more regularly from you, fellows.

Traffic: W7AAE 102, W7RT 70, W7KZ 56, W7OV 44, W7TX 39, W7QF 32, W7AQM 30, W7BA 20, W7BB 14,

W7TK 14, W7GR 12, W7AG-SL 10, W7AIT 10, W7KT 6, W7BR 6, W7ACS 2, W7APR 1.

MONTANA—SCM, O. W. Viers, W7AAT—W7AAW and W7ASQ are the only stations reporting this month. W9CAA of Denver, the SCM of Colorado, is now in Helena signing W7ASQ. There are many stations in this section that can qualify for ORS if they will only take time to do it. We must have more monthly reports or we will have a small sectional report each month and there is no reason for it. What say, gang — why not liven up? Traffic: W7AAW 20, W7ASQ 2.

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PACIFIC DIVISION

ANTA CLARA VALLEY - SCM, F. J. Quement, W6NX—The prospects of very successful traffic handling during the coming season appear good as the old reliables get down to schedules. With W6AMM back in the PI circuit and W6BYY lining up transpacific skeds, the e totals for the section should soar to new heights. W6HM is back on the air after a sojourn in British Columbia. W6UY and W6YG should make the BPL each month now that school has started. W6YG wants traffic skeds with now that sensor has started. Wor'd wants traine sacus with the East Coast on 14 mc. W6YU has a new filter and antenna system designed for day-time operation. W6ALW is back on 7 mc. ready for traffic. To W6BMW goes the honor of reporting without a break for over three years; and each report contains traffic. W6DCP reports things picking up in Santa Cruz with the Club's transmitter at last on the air. W6EGV and W6CEO are some of the newer hams on the air getting into the traffic handling game. If all the stations of the Section report next month, a nice traffic sum should be realized. Please do your part.

Traffic: W6AMM 82, W6YG 49, W6ALW 38, W6BMW 22, W6DCP 12, W6EGV 12, W6CEO 2, W6YU 58.

LOS ANGELES — SCM, B. E. Sandham, W6EQF — This section's message total this month is 5791. This is the highest total this section has ever had, as far as records go, and is probably higher than the totals of any other section heretofore. Odd as it seems, our totals during the vacation months have all been high when normally they should be low. Those at home fill in the gaps left by those in the mountains and at the seashore and the SCM surely appreciates it. The A.R.R.C. sponsored an attractive booth in the Los Angeles Radio Show where 2408 messages were filed, 186 being transmitted from the xmtr at the show and the balance by other local stations. The Long Beach Club sponsored the quarterly banquet with 147 in attendance. Stunts were exhibited by most of the clubs and valuable prizes raffled. The South Bay club challenged the A.R.R.C. to a DX contest ending at the next banquet in December. The Pasadena Club meets every second Thursday with large attendance. A permanent meeting place is being sought. The Tri-County Club is still functioning but neglects to furnish the SCM with news for the report. The Bakersfield Club is functioning 100 per cent and preparing for fall dx and traffic. Other clubs please forward your activity news to the SCM. J3CR from Osaka, Japan, was a visitor in Southern California and called upon the SCM and other local hams through the courtesy of W6CXW who conducted him over the territory. W6QP is the high individual traffic man again with his PI sked. He guides the destinies of KNX amtr thru the day and pounds brass all night hibernating, I guess, in the winter for lost sleep. W6AOA was second high man with show traffic. W6EKE has show tfc all over the house and is just getting cleared. W6ABR handled K6 tfc for show and has new MOPA with xtal reports as well as new ac revr. W6ETJ, chief Route Manager, was operator in charge at show and handled plenty at home. W6TE is QRL college but made the BPL. W6EGH handled all VK and ZL show tfc and was QSO Germany and France. W6ESA handled eastern show tfc and had unique experience which is being sent in as a traffic brief. W6EOG is installing 552 and experimenting on 56 mc. W6DEP is high Long Beach man in tfc. W6BXL returns from east where he was QSO many Europeans. W6CWT makes good start with tfc as new ORS. W6WO changed from Hartley to T.P.T.G. with two 852's. W6OJ is using new push-pull xmtr per Handbook and also turns in large total. W6AEO is heavy on traffic and will be new ORS soon. W6DLI sends in his usual large total of PI tfc. and his fone was heard in New Zealand. W6AGR has large PI total and is another consistent tfc handler. W6RF is the portable call of the A.R.R.C. W6AKW is still waiting for KAIAF to get back on the air for skeds, and is Army net control station. All you fellows craving traffic can get it on this net on Monday nights by contacting AKW.

W6EQF's fifty-watter works much better out of the socket now and he is after new one. W6BCK handled K6 show tfc and says dx is picking up. W6HT, President of the Long Beach Club has good tfc report. W6CIX returns from vaca tion and starts after traffic. W6ZBJ is QRL Y.M.C.A. at Santa Barbara but sends in his total. W6EAF is holding code class and boosts tfc at same time. W6LN is on air again at new QRA, W6VH is coming back after long absence. W6BGF is on week-ends only. W6EPH reports tfc and is QRL school. W6EAU has rebuilt and ready for fall dx and tfc. W6CZT has U.S.N.R. skeds. W6CUH is now temperature control xtal and worked ZS and eight other countries in one night. W6DZI switches from Hartley to T.P.T.G. and reports W6BJX is married and on his honeymoon in New York. The section congratulates him heartily. W6EXK has finished school so lots of ham radio now. W6BBO has new crystal and will have fb note on 7144 kcs. W6ID is still experimenting with his revr. W6AM has his xmtr at new QRA now with 90 foot feeders in his Zepp. W80F has returned from his vacation and is moving to Riverside. W6ASM blew four mikes and two 281's, so the soup goes back into service. W6AIX is on 7 mc. with fifty-watter and 3.5 mc. with 852. W6DZK sends in his last report before returning to college. W6EQD returns to school so not much radio for awhile. W6DLN says the South Bay Club is going to the convention 100%. W6ACL had difficulty spreading band on ac revr. W6FT is putting in xtal and will be on after September looking for tfc. W6EB toured the western states on vacations, looking for tie. W6EB toured the western states on vacations, working his brother W6EA from cities enroute. W6EA was heard by AUSAN. The following make the BPL this month, W6QP, W6EKE, W6AOA, W6ABR, W6ETJ, W6TE, W6EGH, W6BXL, W6ESA, W6EOG, W6DEP, W6OJ, W6AGR and W6EQF. That is certainly FB, fellows. made to make the Riverside Amateur Radio Club a much more interesting organization. W6AZY is President of this club. W6CFN is U.S.N.R. Commanding Officer, Riverside District. W6CUT and W6BAU are building new 50-w. xtal outfit. W6DLV is trying fone. W6FBE is planning a tour

outfit. W6DLV is trying fone. W6FBE is planning a tour about the country with a portable transmitter to find the good locations and dead spots.

Traffic: W6QP 821, W6EKE 509, W6AOA 533, W6ABR 301, W6ETJ 318, W6TE 322, W6EGH 327, W6BXL 226, W6ESA 296, W6EOG 279, W6DEP 232, W6CWT 102, W6WO 107, W6OJ 119, W6AEO 120, W6DLI 120, W6AGR 180, W6RF 190, W6AKW 52, W6EQF 69, W6EAF 40, W6BCK 47, W6HT 46, W6CIX 43, W6ZBJ 42, W6LN 38, W6BDG 38, W6EPH 36, W6EAU 30, W6CZT 28, W6CUH 28, W6DZI 21, W6EEP 17, W6MK 14, W6CHW 14, W6EXK 13, W6BBO 11, W6ID 11, W6AZL 7, W6AM 7, W6OF 7, W6ASM 5, W6AIX 5, W6DZK 5, W6EQD 4, W6DLN 4, W6FJ 4, W6AKD 2, W6ACL 1.

EAST BAY — SCM, J. Walter Frates, W6CZR—W6GB—The section is back in its old form in getting the traffic

The section is back in its old form in getting the traffic in large figures due to some work by W6AQ, the CRM. W6AQ and some of the gang from the Oakland Radio Club established a station at the recent California Flower Festival at San Leandro and the traffic just rolled in. They started a new wrinkle in section booths by having a fone transmitter there and putting some of the high power local 3500kc, fones on the loud speaker for the patrons. That sold the public more than any pile of CW apparatus. The station was operated under the portable call of W6AQ as Houston has just been assigned W6ZM as a permanent call. W6DWI in Berkeley came within 800 messages of the total of the booth station, making a fine individual mark. W6ZX, just back on the air and a new ORS, complained that the traffic he handled almost kicked a hole in the floor when he dropped it. W6ALX handled considerable traffic as well as trying to establish a code class at San Quentin for convicts interested in ham work. W6BIW declares that school is still taking up a lot of his time. He still manages to handle a couple of skeds. W6BBJ besides putting out a FB fone signal on the 3500-kc. band, has been handling considerable traffic. W6BYS has - he handled considerable traffic, blew his 250done a lot watter, had the numps, bought a Chevvy, and is now build-ing a 250 watt xtal job. W6RJ has been dividing his time between the East Bay and the Seventh District. He is carrying a portable with him on his jaunts north. W6CIG, a new man to report, makes his debut in traffic circles with a FB total. W6BI says he is having a week's vacation at home so there is considerable rebuilding work as well as getting ready for a lot of traffic work. W6BZU out at Concord is still pounding the freaks out of the frequencies. Hi. W6DQH is also making his bow with the traffic handlers this month.

W6CGM says he is getting the junk rigged up again, and is planning a 100-watt push-pull job. W6BMS has promised to handle some traffic next month. W6EBM left a mike lxformer on the train and wants to sue the company for it. W6CZN has applied for an ORS and is working on a new a.c. receiver. W6AUT has been deer hunting and consequently is not on very much. W6AMW reports from Gardiner, Maine, that the station is off as he has been assigned to the Marine Barracks at Philadelphia. W6BSB has reported from Hurry Inlet, Scoresby Sound, Greenland, that the Second Roumanian Arctic Expedition, CVH and XORC, is all ready to hit the air. W9CKF from Phillips, So. Dakota, spent a few days with the SCM and visited some of the local stations. W6IP has just gotten back on KDUY from the Orient and reports that the Hong Kong gang are going strong and want to work west coast hams early in the morning. He visited KA1PW while in Manila. The Oakland Radio Club has moved its clubrooms to 2044 Franklin St., Oakland, and has invited all visiting hams to call. The hamfest held by the club at the California Hotel was a great success. Howard Mason of the Byrd Antarctic Expedition gave a fine talk on the radio work of the xpedition. W6ASJ has joined the Oakland Public schools and is teaching a class in receiving design at the Central Trade School in the evening. W6GQ is back with a 71/2-watt transmitter after experimenting for a couple of days with a 50-watter. W6EDK is on temporarily from his new home in Oakland but expects to leave soon for the Orient. W6AWF is bound for China as one of the operators on the S.S. President Monroe. W6FK of San Francisco visited the local gang recently and described his recent contact on 7 mc, with ZS5U in South Africa, one of the first west coast contacts in some time.

Traffie: W6AQ 1814, W6DWI 1017, W6ZX 381, W6ALX 227, W6BIW 162, W6BBJ 110, W6BYS 66, W6RJ 48, W6CIG 27, W6BI 12, W6BZU 8, W6DQH 5.

HAWAII . SCM, L. A. Walworth, K6CIB held its first Hawaiian Section Convention on Aug. 8th and 9th with about 90 present. The boys had a good time and declared the event a great success and well worth while. August is the busiest month of the year in Hawaii with all Pineapple canneries running day and night. Several of the amateurs are employed in the Pineapple industry and ham activities are almost paralyzed since the Convention as a result of the rush of our second industry. K6DYC printed a handsome QRA book of Hawaiian hams which was sent free to all the gang. Many of the Honolulu hams made up purse and are rewarding DYC with 500 two-color QSLL cards for station K6YAJ, of which DYC is faculty advisor Lahainaluna Tech. High School. The operators of K6EWB are still on Army Hospital report and our banner traffic station is still silent though it is hoped for only a brief time longer. Hawaii held the second place in the U.S. in traffic for three consecutive months and has been joking the Los Angeles gang about taking the Traffic Banner from them some time. L. A. took this quite seriously and their 52 ORS pushed the totals to 4400 last month. Hi, but Hawaii's 14 ORS have a job ahead now that looks big enough to dis ourage any one but a Ham. McKinley High School of Honolulu opened Sept. 2nd and the Radio Club there K6YAL, is busy getting a 75-watter on 14 mc. and an 3.5me. fone for Inter-Island traffic. The 14 me. station will operate most of the time during the school week between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Give them a buzz and be sure to QSLL all completed QSO's. You will get a nobby QSLL card in return for your QSO. K6COG has just installed two R3 Rectobulbs which he swears by - not at. K6CMP, the shortest ham in Hawaii, says he is growing his transmitter from a 210 into a 50, so big things can come from small packages. The traffic report this month from 16 stations follows, with K6CDD making the BPL.

Traffie: K6CDD 345, K6ALM 75, K6DPG 70, K6COG 42, K6BVP 28, K6AJA 24, K6CMP 24, K6EST 16, K6ERH K6ACR 14, K6DQQ 8, K6DYC 6, K6CMC 6, K6ERO

3, K6EXP 3, K6CIB 2.

SAN FRANCISCO - SCM, C. F. Bane, W6WB -Conditions have improved somewhat over the previous month and our old reliables are once more entering into rather spirited competition. W6ERK leads off and makes the BPL on deliveries. Good to see George back in the running. W6BIP has informed us that a certain YL induced him to start handling traffic once again; at any rate, his report is a considerable improvement over the previous month. W6DFR finally received his ORS certificate and lives right up to it with a sweet total. We are very glad to announce that there has been a new radio club formed in

S. F. We understand that this club is to be devoted to the development of new men who are attempting to get started on the air. They have adequate facilities for code practice, both fast and slow and welcome visitors at any of their meetings. The name is San Francisco Amateurs. W6DZZ was going strong with his Philippine skeds until he blew up his fifty-watter and power supply. Sure tough luck, OB!! W6WN reports for the third consecutive time which proves that Art is back to stay. However, he says that Pee Wee golf is a bad influence. Hi! Somebody ask W6ATI how to hit ducks from the wharf. Hi! Bob reports as usual. W6PW found little time to handle much traffic being extremely busy with several affairs for the radio club. We are glad to have two new reporters this time; namely W6ABB and W6CAL. We certainly hope that they will continue to report right along. W6ABB is quite active in the new radio club. W6CAL is a new fellow. Let's hear from you, OM. W6EKC has been pursuing the elusive DX and as a consequence hasn't much to report. He says the 3500-kc. band has fallen under the table and it is very difficult to work anything other than locals. W6ETR is still procrastinating over his new xtal layout. It certainly should be good after all this time. W6DK reports little activity; neither DX nor traffic. By the time you read this our Route Managers Traffic Contest should be well under way. Already we have received a number of entries and the competition is most keen. prize is to be a 3590-kc. xtal, the prize going to the station handling the most traffic over a three months period. There will also be a second prize; not as yet decided upon. Traffic: W6ERK 123, W6BIP 105, W6DFR 71, W6CAL

26, W6DZZ 41, W6WN 18, W6PW 15, W6ABB 13, W6EKC 12, W6ETR 12, W6ATI 4, W6WB 4, W6DK 1. NEVADA — SCM. Keston, L. Ramsey, W6EAD —

NEVADA - SCM, Keston, L. Ramsey, W6AJP leads in messages this month. Most of the fellows are rebuilding. W6CRF is building a 3500-kc. crystal-con-W6EAD has a 3646-kc. crystal. 'phone. is building a 3500-kc. 'phone. W6ATN and W6BAY are back to University of Nevada again and are ready to go on the air with a 210. The Nevada Amateur Radio Assn. had its regular meeting this month and has created a lot of interest among prospective hams, there being more new fellows than regular members at the meeting. All active hams in Nevada please get in touch with your SCM.

Traffic: W6AJP 16, W6CDZ 12. SAN DIEGO — SCM, H. A. Ambler, W6EOP old stand-by, W6ACJ, is back with us now and leads the section for the month. He says the east coast tfc is going through in fine shape. W6AXV found time to handle a few and says he will be going strong again soon. W6DNS, after a good long rest, is on again and worked lots of DX and also handled some tfc. W6BGL has an early morning fone sked with W6EFD of ElCentro and says it works FB. W6ADC reports a new Ford, new YL, college, etc., keeps him away from the key. W6EOS has hard luck and broke his new xtal. He is using a couple of 50s in push-pull and says he got a good report from Chile. W6BAM worked east coast and says he is very QRL work but is getting a 50-watter ready and will have it going soon. W6EPF is still on 7 mc. but expects to have a fone set going soon. W6AEP has about finished his new set and will be on regularly now. W6BAS is very busy working and grinding xtals. The Pat Club is having their second banquet the 27th of Sept. and expect a good bunch from out of town. W6DNW is now on fone and says FB. W6DAI has a new xtal-controlled fone on the air now and says nothing like it. Hi hi. Several new hams have applied for ORS ticket and expect to soon be handling TFC

Traffie: W6ACJ 145, W6AXV 39, W6DNS 36, W6BGL 14, W6ADC 11, W6EOS 10, W6BAM 10, W6CTP 6, W6EPF 5, W6EOP 4, W6AEP 3.

PHILIPPINES - Acting SCM, John R. KA1JR - Received letter from Asst. CM E. L. Battey stating that PI reports are filed too late to reach the printing press on time, so, gang, please hand in your reports earlier if you want to show up in QST. KA1HR leads in tfc this month. A 500-watt M.O.P.A. xmitter is under construction. KA1ZA is using Heints & Kaufman portable xmitter. KA1PW works nightly and pussles KA hams with his FB note. KA1HC is busy and has no time to ham, KA1XA is now using a bug. KA1EL is active but QRM by power leaks from MG near by, KA4HW prefers DXing to tfc handling. KA9PB's slogan is "early to rise and early to bed." KA1SU is a new stn using 50-watt CC xmitter. KA1RC is back on the air and active in tfc. KA1CE has a new opr. Welcome. OM. KAIAW is homeward bound for States. We shall miss you very much, OM, and the gang wishes you "bon voyage."

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KA1CM is handling skeds from KA1DJ. KA1DJ is rebuilding to 500 watts. KAIAC worked at KAA. KAIJR is now a half-KW stn.

Traffic: KA1HR 760, KA1AW 36, KA1JR 44.

ROANOKE DIVISION

EST VIRGINIA — SCM, D. B. Morris, W8JM — Well, gang, the fall season is now in full swing, so why not get on the air and report your activity to me? Let's all help to make this a banner year for West Virginia. We can, if we will try. Remember, skeds mean messages, messages mean leadership. What say, gang? WSDPO besides working "VK" on 7 mc. sends in a big string of off-frequency stations. No West Virginia hams were arring of our-requested stations. No west vigilia hains were included. Congrats, gang. W8BCN is now proud possessor of a two-letter call, W8QR. W8JM is getting parts together for a 3500-kc. MOPA xmitter. All traffic hounds, please note. No. 10 to 30 and WSTI are brothers, and both passed the "commercial" test recently. W8AKQ informs the SCM that he is traffic test recently. WSAKQ informs the SCAI that he is traine manager of the R.R.O.L., a league composed of railroad "Morse" operators. WSHD sea "Behind on work after returning from Europe, so not much traffic." WSBWK reports that all the gang at Wheeling received notice to come ports that all the gang at Wheeling received notice to come to Pittsburgh for license exams. Luck to you. W8BOK keeps a weekly phone sked with W8CWA at Cleveland Airport, and reports that W8DMU, W8DNN and W8LT were visitors. W8AWT has an MOPA at Ann Arbor, Mich., in hopes of contacting his "pal," W8BOK in Clarksburg. The SCM had the pleasure of meeting W8DNN, W8ATE, WSCVK, W8AWT and W8DRL recently. All hams who are the six and handling tention to six pleasure of the highest of the six and handling tention to six pleasure of the highest of the six and handling tention to six pleasure of the highest of the six and handling tention to six pleasure of the highest of the six pleasure of the six pleasur on the air and handling traffic, please report to the SCM on the 16th of the month. We need messages to boost West Virginia. Please report! All "hams" who are not ORS and feel that they can qualify, please get in touch with me and I'll see what I can do for you. Appointment position as Official

Broadcast Station is also open to anyone who can qualify.
Traffie: W8BOK 45, W8JM 45, W8QR 29, W8DNN 21,
W8SP 20, W8DPO 12, W8BWK 7, W8AWT 6, W8DRL 5,
W8CVK 4, W8HD 2, W8TI 2, W8AYI 2, W8ATE 1,
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VIRGINIA SCM, J. F. Wohlford, W3CA - The report this month is short on account of about all the active stations going to the first Virginia convention held in this state. Those who did not get there missed a real treat. W3CXM attended the convention and gave several very interesting talks. Should any of you fellows desire to join the Army Net, address Captain Baldwin, who will take care of you. W3CXM is very anxious for skeds with hams in this section. W3HY reports from Great Lakes Naval Training Station that he is returning to school at Danville and will resume work from his station there. W3CFL, ex-W8CFL, is also a newcomer in our section, and we welcome him. From the first report received, it appears this will be a real ham station with good traffic reports. W4FX and W4DP called to see your SCM while he was at convention. Sorry you fellows could not get over to the blowout at Richmond. Try it again next year or sooner. Those of you in this section who are interested in the U. S. Naval Reserve should apply to Lieutenant Wilson, U.S.N.R., Norfolk, Va., for information. The SCM would like to say that all reports should be in his hands not later than the 18th of each month. Those hams in this section handling traffic on 'phone should so state and send in the dope with the regular traffic reports.

There is no restriction as to how you handle traffic just so long as it is handled properly and the report is sent in. We must boost our traffic handling, and now is the time to get started on it. We hope to have a great, big report next

month. W3FJ is recovering from the Roanoke Convention.
Traffic: W3CXM 220, W3CFL 20, W3FJ 29.
NORTH CAROLINA — SCM, H. L. Caveness, W4DW W4LY checks in with a long letter this month, in which he says amongst other things, that there is not much done is says amongs other times, that cheeks no mach done in the way of traffic handling by the 25 or so Asheville stations. The most active stations at present are W4BC, W4HJ, W4LY, W4NJ, and W4TO. W4EJ applied too much voltage to his crystal with disastrous results. W4TO is working a type '10 crystal set and got a VK this month. W4LY got five continents in the DX contest, using a 50-watt Hartley in the 14-mc. band. He worked four continents on Labor Day. W4AEW, like the rest of us, has been making

some changes in his rig and has not been on the air much lately. W4ZB is high score man again this month. He reports handling messages for the Dickey Expedition, also some flood messages, and working Asia. He attended the Ham Convention in Richmond, visiting some in Greensboro, High Point, and elsewhere on the way. W4TS drops in the word that he has been too busy with other more vital afword that he has been too busy with other more vital at-fairs of life, to handle any traffic this month. W4JR is heard consistently on 3848 ke, with his crystal, and sends in a fair report for the month. He is one of the few AA sta-tions in North Carolina which can be depended on for drill every Monday night. W4TN has returned to the University of N. C. to take up the study of law, and will be heard oc-casionally at the key of W4WE. W4AHH informs us in-directly that the reason we have had no reports from him for the past two months is that he has just taken unto himself a wife. Congratulations; and here's hoping that we will soon hear the YL signing at W4AHH. W4UI is getting good results with two type '10s in an MOPA. W4OC and W4DW spent a few days with W1AOF in September, and while there visited A.R.R.L. Headquarters, and General Electric in Schenectady. They looked up Grenlie in New York, and Hansen in Washington, two of the radio operators of the Byrd Expedition, and had long chats with them. W4EG has recently been very much thrilled at working some sixes and sevens early in the evening with his MOPA, using two type '10s and a single wire Hertz antenna on 7000-ke. band. W4PP and W4CC are heard on AA drills on Monday nights. W4RX with a couple of other Monroe hams stopped by to see W4DW while on their way home from the Richmond Convention. They reported a wonderful time and a very uccessful convention in every respect. W4ABV sends in the information that he must ask that his ORS certificate be cancelled as he is now a commercial operator and has sailed for Buenos Aires, S. A. He took a short wave receiver with him so as to keep in touch with ham radio in his off hours. He signed his card W4ABV-RXT.

Traffic: W4ZB 101, W4AEW 24, W4DW 16, W4JR 15, W4RX 11, W4EG 4, W4UI 2.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION TAH-WYOMING - Acting SCM, C. R. Miller W6DPJ — Activity in this section seems to be increasing now that fall is here, and Wyoming promes to come to the front at last. FB, fellows. Keep it up-W7AAG, in Ft. Warren, takes honors this month, and reports W7ATL lining up some skeds for traffic this winter-WeCNX is leaving to attend school in California. W7HX. is keeping several skeds, and is still doing good work as OO. W7AAH is now an ORS. He and W7ALI had a fine vacation. W6BTX is back again, and is on regularly with a new set. W6EKF is very busy at KLO. W6DPJ is off temporarily.

Traffic: W7AAG 41, W6CNX 21, W7HX 15, W7AAH 11, W6BTX 9, W6EKF 4, W6DPJ 3.

COLORADO — SCM, C. R. Stedman, W9CAA — The Denver gang came through with quite a bit of traffic as a result of the Radio Show there. The bulk of the traffic was handled by W9ESA, W9AAB, W9ZE and W9FBK, the latter station being the station set up at the radio show. W9BQO and W9ZE are being added to the list of ORS in Colorado. W9CHK will probably consolidate with W9BQO. W9CSR handled no traffic, but may before the next report wording College life doesn't consume too much time. W9EFP has been busy with the fall harvest, but now that it is over will be ready for some Hamming. W9CDE is back with us again, but not on much these days. W9APZ is a new comer at Yuma, but is right there with the ham spirit. W9DQD is on 7000 and 14,000 kc. doing good work. W9AOD is another new ham, being located at Colorado Springs and working on 7000 kc. W9ECP is in Boulder now. W9GBQ is doing a little work on the air. W9BTO is still having trouble with filter condensers and is going to try electrolytic con densers for a change. W9CXG is on 7000 kc. now, QRA Burlington, Colo. Traffic: W9FBK 64, W9ESA 46, W9DQD 29, W9AAB 24, W9ZE 20, W9GBQ 4, W9AOD 3, W9EFP 3.

SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

LABAMA — SCM, Robert Troy, Jr., W4AHP-WikP, a new man, leads the state in traffic. FB, OM. W4AAQ is busy at WSFA, so hasn't been on much. The SCM was very pleased by visits from W4FY, W4QM, and W4HB. W4AJR is working everybody between school QRM. W4AKB has rebuilt his outfit and made a very fine job of it. W4ZX is having trouble with antennas.

We hear W4AEZ operating quite regularly but no report. How about it, OM? W4AHY has gone to the radio school at Ft. Monmouth. W4CY is promising to get on the air. W4AHP is off the air pending the arrival of a "B" eliminator. The batteries went west, and didn't return. W4LM is holding up the Birmingham end of the A-A net in fine shape. We received a fine report from W4DS. Some more of you fellows wake up and let me hear from you. W4TI seems to have QRM from something. Hi. W4CB was bitten by the YL bug. Another good ham gone wrong. Hi! By the time you read this the SCM will be checking your frequency with an accurate meter. So as Floyd Gibbons would say: Watch your

frequency!

Traffie: W4CB 2, W4KP 45, W4AJR 12, W4AHP 17. FLORIDA — SCM, Harvey Chafin, W4AII-W4pAW — W4JO in Miami leads the section with a good total of 46 msgs. He had 550 volts of Burgess batteries all ready for U.S.N.R. emergency work during the recent hurricane. W4ACM, the reserve station at Tampa, is second in line this month. The SCM and W4OZ handle the key most of the time. Mr. Robbins of the U.S.N.R. station W4ALF sends in a fine report this time. W4PI reports that he is going away to the Bliss Electrical School and will not be on the air any more this year. He worked 70 stations this month with a W4SK reports two new stations in St. Pete., single 210. W4NU and W4LF. The latter one is the beginning of branch or unit of the Tampa unit of the U.S.N.R. BO8-W4BU is a station in Jax. and is the Hdq. Company, 124th Inf. of the Field National Guards, It is operated by Sgt. H. E. Heller, and W4AER, W4QL is back from his vacation and is getting into shape for the fall and winter. W4IH has just enlisted in the U.S.N.R. at West Palm Beach. He perates his own station at Boca Raton and sometimes W4ALF, W4KM handled traffic to W5AIN for the Marines. The following hams were present at the ham fest at Pensa-W4QR, W4ACB, W4RK, W4ADV on Labor Day, W4HQ, W4VR, W4ALJ, W4MX, W4PN, W4FV, and W4MS, W4MX and W4ALJ are back on the air and want reports from you, fellows. W4QK is a new ham and will be on shortly. W4VR is still busy with his aeroplane and YLs. W4FV is tuning his set up for a big winter. W4PN is planning a portable transmitter as his work carries him over west Florida and southern Alabama. W4MS is on the air with a 250 set now and has a little dope on 28 mc. that he will give the gang soon. The XYL at W4MS is building a low power set to be used by her at Century. The house current is 220 d.c. Hi, FB for low power. W4QN has just built Parsons Chemical Rectifier as described in July *QST* and says it is sure FB. W4QN reports that W4SG is a new ham Tampa at the Tampa Tribune. He is on the air every morning from 2 till 5 o'clock. W4ALH says tfc seems to be a thing of the past to him as he cannot find any one who has any. W4AGP reports a few megs this time. The Jacksonville Amateur Radio Operators Club's officers are W4MF W4UL, Vice-President; and W4RU, Sec. and Treas. W4ZV is so busy playing football that he cannot freas. W42V is so busy paying rootonin that he cannot find much time to operate. W4QV is working on 14, 7 and 3.5 mc. W4ZU is also playing football but finds time to pound brass on the side. W4ZV had better follow W4ZU. Hi. W4IK over in Plant City is applying for his license to be transferred from North Carolina. W4NC is a new station in Jacksonville. I sure would appreciate it if all the new stations would make out a report and send it in to me on the 15th of the month. W4AGN has a new d.c. note on his 75-watter and is getting out well on the 14-, 7- and 3.5-mc. bands. W4TQ is a new ham using a 112 tube with 150 volts of batteries. He is a seaman in the U.S.N.R. W4GD is trying phone. By the way, I would like to hear from you one men up at Jax., Sanford, and Deland. I hear you fellows quite often and would like to have you report so the rest of the gang can know just what you are doing with your 'phone sets, W4ABL is still at the U. of F. and at WRUF also. The Gator Radio Club is meeting about the last of October and I expect to have more dope from them by my next report. W4FM has been working quite a bit of DX on 14 mc. lately. What is the matter with you fellows I don't ever hear from you any more. over at Clearwater? W4ALI has moved to Atlanta to attend Ga. Tech. He is installing his set up there and would like to hear from some of the gang by radio, W4TK has been on his vacation. He says he caught a few tarpon and sailfish. Hereafter some of the stations reporting the activities of their stations than the 15th of the month will not see their reports listed in this column because the reports must be in to me so I can make out my report for Headquarters. Come on .. gang, and

let's have the best rite-up of any of the sections. Best of luck and DX until next month.

Traffic: W4JO 46, W4ACM 44, W4ALF 30, W4PI 31, W48K 26, W4BU 18, W4QL 13, W4KM 9, W4IH 7, W4MS 9, W4QN 8, W4ALH 5, W4AGP 8, W4QV 3, W4ZV 1, W4AEM 5, W4FM 3.

WEST GULF DIVISION

KLAHOMA — SCM, Wm. J. Gentry, W5GF — W5GF is going on with 250 watts soon. W5ABO is perking well on fone now. W5AAV is always building receivers. I wonder if he ever transmits. Hi. W5MM is rebuilding with about 500 watts xtal. FB, OM. W5ASQ is perking FB now and is open for skeds. Note: QRA Ponca City, now. W5VQ is the best relay station for ages now. Vy FB, OMS. W5CB is on again now that the hot weather is over. Hi. W5AFH is trying a little fone work now. W5QL is a FB 14,000-kc. fone station, too. Glad to welcome W5BQW from Mo. FB, OM, on your tfc. W5AYF is working some now and then. W5ALP has a fair tfc. report. W5OJ is a good tfc. station and is doing FB work. Glad to see W5AMC going so well. W5APG is a Jr. Grade Lieut. in the Naval Reserve NW. FB, OM. Like to see more work in Naval Reserve Nw. Glad to get W5BMU's report. FB, OM. DX seems to be fair now with the gang. W5BHW is back on the air after laying off for the summer. Hi. FB, OM. Now, gang, let's get busy with this traffic and keep leading the division. What say?

Traffie: W5VQ 250, W5BQW 39, W5OJ 31, W5ALP 40, W5AMC 26, W5ASQ 26, W5BMU 15, W5CB 9, W5AYF

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SOUTHERN TEXAS - SCM, H. C. Sherrod, Jr., W5ZG-W5VY - Things are picking up and, to judge from the increased activity, winter is rapidly approaching. Houston: W5BHO, Calk, the old reliable, reports as usual. The gang there are favoring low-powered fone in the 1750-ke. band. W5BKW reports rebuilding and no traffic handled. W5ASM is working fone in the 1750- and 3500-kc. bands and cw in the 7000-kc. band. W5BOC reports heavy, and is working all states regularly. FB, OM. He surely helped the traffic total. This Houston gang is surely a live bunch! Tennant, W5TD (whose crystal-controlled signal is heard regularly on 7125 kcs.) sends in a nice report. He is on regularly, and those having traffic for Houston. should give him a call. W5EI, Ward, our Route Manager, has been somewhat inconvenienced by a pair of soft 281's and a bankroll in the same condition. Nevertheless, he is keeping schedules with W8AYH and W5BLD. Keep it up. That's what we need. W5BQE is a new ham in Houston. W5PK. DeBardeleben, will be on shortly as he is working on a station between times at KTLC. Bay City: At W5ABH, Williams is the sole reporter. He has been off on account of shot filter condensers, but is contemplating an early return. Stay in there, OM, as we need every station in this section. Kerrville: McKnight, W5MT, not only reported by radio but sent a written report special delivery also. The Schreiner Institute has an active radio club with a station on the air using the call W5ZB. As there are four operators available there is plenty of traffic in prospect at this point. W5BKZ is rebuilding and will have two 250-watt tubes as power amplifiers. He will use a UX-210 oscillator. W5BKE is also rebuilding, but is on, nevertheless, and handling traffic. Send me a report, OM. W5ZB is looking for schedules in order to move student traffic. Those interested in traffic handling should get in touch with him. (Get in touch with W5EI, Route Manager, as he might be able to help you out, fellows.) For all of this dope on Kerrville the SCM is indebted to McKnight, W5MT. There seems to be lots of activity over in the vicinity of Kerrville, and the SCM is looking for more reports from the gang in the coming months. This is imperative if we are to make our section lead as it should. San Antonio: No reports from this city. W5AJS and W5AHA are heard occasionally. W5JC is also on intermittently, but no report from him either. Please drop a line to the SCM, fellows, so it will reach me before the 20th of the month. It will surely be a help to me in getting these reports out. Flatonia: W5AJD is seldom heard these days. What's the matter, Frank? Drop us a line and let us know what's doing over your way. Corpus Christi: W5AB reports being heard by FMR485 in Africa. He is on 7290 kilocycles and handling traffic regularly. Mighty glad to hear from Corpus, OM, and hope you can get more of the gang to report next month. Beaumont: W5AZ threatened to report. That's all. White, W5AFG, is still busy with the new fone set. Drop a card in the mail. Doc., and let us know how the

outfit is coming along. Port Arthur: W5AZS is heard on occasionally, and handles some traffic. Galveston: W5BQJ, Paul Weakley, is a newcomer in our midst. He is getting out well with one UX-210 and two UX-281's for power supply. WSAVC, Berg (Ex-KFR-5), is on regularly and is handling quite a bit of traffic. He certainly represents Galveston well, his consistency being admirable. If you fellows have any traffic for him listen on 7270 kilocycles and give him a call. There will be at least one more new station on the island by next month and for ham radio prospects this city looks better than it has in years. W5AUX is still working on the new crystal rig. However, it won't be long now before it's working. W5ZG-W5VY is working regularly on 7130 kilocycles and welcomes any traffic. Just a line to you fellows about reporting. It's awfully hard to get out this monthly report when most of it has to be gleaned from one's memory of the past operating month. A few words on a form 1 card would surely help if dropped in a mail box about the 15th of each month. There is no lack of good stations in this section, nor is there any lack of real honest-to-goodness operators, but when it comes to reporting there is surely a lack of ambition. We are all interested in the A.R.R.L., not only its activity, but also its progress, and the best way to coördinate is to keep the SCM advised as to just what you have done each month so this information can be incorporated in the monthly report. All of us are interested in what the other fellow is doing and the only way we all can find out is to drop a line to the SCM. Now a word about organization: In this section there is no real organization of any kind. Each station works for himself and, with the exception of a very few, there are no schedules kept. Why not organize a net comprising stations in each city where there are those interested? This arrangement could be made to function once each week, for example, and would not only provide a better outlet for traffic but would aid many of us in improving our operating standards. Think it over, OMs, and if you are interested and DEPENDABLE drop a card to W5EI in Houston. As yet there have been no applicants for the Official Broadcasting Station appointments proposed in this section. Two reliable stations are wanted, one in or near San Antonio and the other in Houston. This is a means that will serve to keep all members posted on the up-to-the-minute news of the League and is to the advantage of every member to consider. Traffie: W5BOC 78, W5ZG 45, W5TD 36, W5EI 10, W5AB 9, W5ABH 1.

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NORTHERN TEXAS - SCM, Roy Lee Taylor, W5RJ W5BAM and W5HY tied this month. Gene reports conditions getting better in Dallas. W5HY says we need more traffic stations and less "gab." W5RJ is proud possessor of a seven-pound girl, so not much radio. Hi! W5ASP, our Route Manager in Wichita Falls, wants skeds all over Texas. Write him, boys. W5AAE is working on 3500 kc. with "rotten" plate supply but hopes to have mg going soon. W5JV is still trying to get his xtal set going. W5BIP reports traffic poor down his way. W5ARV received a QSA 5 R6 report from LU the first day on with filter. W5RH requests the gang to look for him under the call of W5RH instead of W5BBF as beretofore. W5BBF is now his portable call. W5LY is rebuilding, hence, no tfc. W5BJN, W5BQN, and W5BQT are all new stations in Fort Worth and we hope to have some tfc reports from them soon. W5BG's ORS is cancelled by request due to inactivity. W5ATZ's ORS is also cancelled by request on account of college work. W5BAT's OBS is cancelled due to inactivity. We are badly in need of several live-wire ORS, also OBS. Let me hear from you, fellows, if interested.

NORTH TEXAS RADIO ASSOCIATION IS ORGANIZED

The third meeting of the North Texas Radio Association was held in Fort Worth, Texas, on September 21, 1930, at 2 p.m. in the Recreational Building. Eighty-one members of the Association were present. Talks on antennas and traffic handling were given by Mr. Mashburn of KKJ and Mr. Haling of W5HY, respectively. Various contests with some excellent prizes, not to speak of plenty of ice cream and pop that was furnished by the local Association of Commerce, tended to create a friendly spirit among those present.

A permanent organization was formed at this meeting. The following officers were elected by unanimous vote: Roy L. Taylor, W5RJ, 1500 St. Louis Ave., Ft. Worth, President; Frank M. Corlett, W5ZC, 2515 Catherine St., Dallas, Vice-President; and Will A. Shaw, W5ARV, 1215 St. Louis Ave., Pt. Worth, Secretary.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held in Dallas, Texas,

early in January. The exact date will be announced later. A cordial invitation is extended to all amateurs to attend this meeting. These meetings are not to conflict in any way with the annual West Gulf Division Conventions

Information regarding these meetings will be gladly given

by any of the above officers of the organization.

Traffic: W5BAM 52, W5HY 52, W5RJ 21, W5ASP 15, W5AAE 14, W5JV 11, W5BIP 10, W5ARV 6, W5RH 3. NEW MEXICO—SCM, Leavenworth Wheeler, Jr.,

W5AHI -- W5AJL did all his work with a low-power 14-mc. rig this month. W5EF continues punching holes in our rarefied atmosphere what variety of rock do you use in that hed atmosphere — what variety of rock to you use in that crusher, OM? Hi. We welcome to our midst W5BQE at Las Yegas. W5ND reports several new prospects in that dead "burg." Hi! The SCM was favored with a visit by W5AJL, W5AOD, and W5AOU. Four daily skeds and the traffic from the radio shows put W5AHI over the top again. Traffic: W5AHI 278, W5AJL 29.

CANADA

I have just received a letter from the Radio Department at Ottawa in answer to a number of letters to them complaining of the interference in our bands from Mexican station XDA. Most amateurs were of the opinion that Mexico was not a signatory to the International Radio Telegraph Convention, Washington 1927, and that it would be useless for us to make a complaint. However the Dept. now informs us that Mexico ratified the convention on the 28th of March 1929 and that they will go into the matter further with a view to taking such steps as may be considered necessary to stop the above interference.

Now that daylight saving is over for another year and the long evenings and real radio weather with us let's get back to the shack, roll up our sleeves and go to work telling the world what a wonderful game this amateur radio of ours is.

Don't forget Wednesday nights for Canadian contacts

CANADIAN GENERAL MANAGER Alex Reid, VE2BE

QUEBEC DIVISION

SCM - Alphy Blais, VE2AC - The amateurs have been roaming along this month. VE2AA visited VE2AC, VE2BE, VE2CA. The SCM dropped in on VE2BE and had tea at VE2CA. The XYL is as good a cook as she is a brasspounder. VE2CL got his dope on reporting that evening. VE2AP has been going around helping the "hams" in need. VE2BB had a few "W" visitors and came himself to greet VE2CA. VE2BH is going to Toronto and will be working with a new call. Sorry to lose you, OM. VE2BB is quite satisfied with his AC receiver. VE2BD is hamming around with the YL's. VE2AP is quite alive working on CW and phone on 14 mc. He uses C.C. Alex, VE2BE, has a Zepp at last; so has VE2AC, VE2CL and VE2CA reinstalled his. XYL at VE2CA worked XYL W8CNO and they kept going chewing the rag two hours running. Now, can you beat that? DX has just been picking up. VE2AP worked several "G" hams. VE2AC worked LU, PY and NJ. Traffic has picked up somewhat. Let's get going this fall and make this season more successful than ever. Say, boys, give a hand to the new fellows just come in with us. VE2AA is going to England soon. VE2AC goes to Washington next month.

Traffie: VE2AP 19, VE2CA 23, VE2BB 15, VE2BE 14,

VE2AC 7.

MARITIME DIVISION

SCOTIA - Acting SCM, A. VE1CC has at last got his M.O.P.A. to VE1DQ perk and says it is very FB. VE1AS has changed to T.G.T.P. push-pull and thinks it much better than his old push-pull Hartley. VE1DA has been getting xtal reports on his 7000-kc. sigs. VE1DM and VE1BR are still pounding away as usual. VE1AB is settled at last and is using a gas engine to drive his gen. (VE1DQ is also playing with a portable which uses gas engine for prime mover. Hi!) VE1DR reports things very slack but should soon perk up with better wx coming on. Many of the boys are trying out newly rebuilt xmitters and getting ready for a big winter of DX. Labrador: NESAZS at Battle Harbour, Labrador, will be on the air sometime in November or December. Watch for NESAZS on about 8330 kc. (36 meters) and 7890

ONTARIO DIVISION

NTARIO — SCM, E. C. Thompson, VE3FC — Central District: VE3BC is back with a vengeance and says that he hasn't started yet. VE3EO has decided that school work cannot bear interference and has decided that sensol work cannot bear interference and has presented his complete station to VE3BC, so watch your records, gang, VE9AL is keeping regular schedules as usual and constructing a new receiver, a shortwave super, no less. He is also preparing to put a new 'phone set on the 14-mc. band. VESG.1 has been doing excelent work in the way or schedules with one of the Ft. William gang, and says that he is open to sked any station that handles Canadian traffic. VESAD is back from Muskoka, where he and VESCR had a very good time working everything in sight. VE3DA is back again in harness on 3750 kc. and will welcome traffic schedules. He states that VE3NV, VE3EZ, and VE3BI are schedules. He states that YESNY, YESEZ, and YESDI are also now in action in Belleville. Welcome, fellows. Let's hear more from and of you. YESGK is still rebuilding but keeps using 3550 kc. nevertheless. Mrs. GK also enjoyed several contacts during the month. YE3DW says that the 201A is still doing well, and that the locals are beginning to be heard on 7 mc. once again. He also has three potential amateurs learning the code, and a push-pull transmitter is in course of Ontario Radio Association held a picnic together with OWs. VLs and families at Kingsville Park on Sept. 7th. The following hams were present: VE3DG, VE3XL, VE3TM, VE3CC, VE3AA, VE3XA, VE3EC, and VE3FB. They all showed their youth by playing no less than fifteen innings of softball. Some of the fellows had such a good time that they wanted to hold a picnic every week! Northern District: V. Lawrence, VE3ET, Acting SCM - With the advent of good weather, activity in this district, rather than in-creasing, seems to be on the wane. What's the matter, gang? VE3HA did good work this month but we are unable to list his total as his traffic report is tied up somewhere in the mails. VE3BD says there isn't much doing up his way but he is getting ready to take part in the Trans-Continental Chain which we hope to put across this winter. VE3ET is on 7200 ke, occasionally, VE3HA is an ORS prospect

Traffic: VE3BC 42, VE3AL 18, VE3GT 16, VE3AD 8, VE3DA 3, VE3GK 3, VE3DW 3.

PRAIRIE DIVISION

ANITOBA - SCM, A. V. Chase, VE4HR - Much rebuilding is being done by the gang in preparation for the winter activities. VE4DK is back from the East. He has remodelled his transmitter and receiver, and is now attacking the antenna system. VE4FV has been operating his Ultraudion during vacation in Winnipeg. He worked nearly all Canadian and U. S. A. districts, using a 201A. VE4GO has fixed up his garage to accommodate a newly built M.O.P.A. Three operators will be available to keep the station running, and much traffic is expected to be handled by them. VE4DJ, on vacation in the West, spent a most enjoyable time in Calgary with the gang. VE4BU is arranging schedules. VE4FP submitted his first report.

Traffic: VE4DJ 11, VE4BU 6, VE4HR 1. SASKATCHEWAN — SCM, W. J. Pickering, VE4FC Only one station out of all those in Saskatchewan reported this month. What's the matter, fellows. Aren't you doing anything that you think the rest of the gang would be interested in. If you are, let's have it, expecially traffic re ports. Why not try and make this winter's activities the best yet. VE4BB has had quite a number visiting him; VE4BL, VE4IE and VE4CN. He also called on VE4GR, Three new stations are on the air at Rosetown and two in the making at Biggar.

Traffic: VE4BB 3.

VANALTA DIVISION

RITISH COLUMBIA - SCM, J. VE5AL — Looks very much like the gang had too much convention in Victoria and haven't recovered in time to get in a report. VESCC and VESCK are two new hams in Vancouver and we understand there are some more coming up. VE5AG has arrived back in town but has trouble with his xmitter. VE5AC is getting out from his new location and handled some traffic. VE5AL is remodeling for

the fall session so hasn't been on very much lately. VE5DD has been on vacation and is now getting his heap ready to go again, VE5BP is still playing with his set. VE9AJ blew the lone rectifier tube. VE5AN and VE5CW brought home the bacon from Victoria. VE5BM is busy but still holds down his sked. VE5GT says things are bad in Prince Rupert and he has a hard time raising anyone in B.C. VE5CY has moved from his old home. VE5DX and VE5CM are back again. VE5CO would like to know how to eliminate the are light qrm in Victoria. VE5DU is practicing on his home made bug. VE5EC is boasting about his first ZL worked VE5CB is sporting a new receiver. VE5HR is looking for more power. VE5HK and VE5EA are back on the air. VE5CJ has returned from the East. VE5DQ is on 3500 with low power and it looks like he is going to have plenty of company before the winter is over.

Traffic: VE5AC 7, VE5BM 5, VE5AL 2, VE5EC 14, VE5CO 2, VE5GT 5.

LATE AND ADDITIONAL REPORTS

WIAWE reports direct to HQs that he is busy at this season as a radio service manager, but expects to have new set on the air shortly. WSON reported traffic handled too late for inclusion in Western New York report.

Traffic: W8ON 144.

Traffic Briefs

Uda B. Ross, W2UD, is now in charge of Western Electric sound movie work in Peru. His headquarters are at Lima and he has a 10-watt push-pull transmitter on the 14-mc. band under the call OA4W. He is anxious to QSO the states, especially New York. His QRA is care of American Commercial Attaché, Lima, Peru. Give OA4W a call, if you hear him, fellows

W8APQ says he is ORS - "the Only Radio Station around Martinsburg, Pa." Hi.

It has been called to our attention that Willis Hudlin's (star pitcher of the Cleveland team, American League) call letters are W8BSG, not W8BGS as stated on page II, C. D. September QST. We stand corrected on this!

QSO ENDURANCE CONTESTS

Something entirely new! The "endurance contest crase" has hit this country pretty hard. We read in the newspapers daily about "dancing," "airplane," "tree-sitting" (hi), and many other kinds of endurance competitions but up to the time of receipt of a letter from W2AMT we hadn't thought of "QSO Endurance Contests."

The idea of the "QSO Endurance Contests" was hit

upon late one night while W2AMT was working W4ABS. Both W2AMT and W4ABS had lots of time on their hands, and had no necessity for worrying about lost sleep, so they decided to try to maintain contact for as long a time as was possible, or rather to make an "endurance" record. Perfect contact was maintained for three hours and forty-two minutes, at the end of which time atmospheric conditions became very contrary, and inside of ten minutes both

was and faded completely out.
W2AMT and W4ABS challenge any one to break their present record of three hours and forty-two minutes. We shall be glad to hear from contestants, but must request that the following rules be complied with: Each amateur must submit an accurate excerpt from his station log covering the QSO. Suitable notations must be made in the log at least once every half-hour. The QSO may be counted only for the time that both stations are readable. Should either station go out of audibility the QSO must be called "ended." Log excerpts must be mailed to QSO Endurance Contest Manager, Communications Department, A.R.R.L., Hartford, Conn. Unless logs are received from both stations in question and unless these logs agree, no credit can be given. How does it sound, fellows? For the present we will consider that W2AMT and W4ABS hold the record. When their record is broken we shall announce the standing of the new record-holders in QST. Let's get started with these QSO Endurance Contests and see who can successfully challenge the W2AMT-W4ABS combination.

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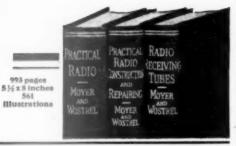
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BRITISH NOTES

By J. Clarricoats, Hon Sec. R.S.G.B.

By the time these notes are published the Fifth Annual Convention of the R.S.G.B. will have taken place. A full report of the decisions reached will appear later. The Society was represented at the Eritish National Radio Exhibition at Olympia, and exhibited a complete amateur radio station, besides transmitters and receivers designed to operate on 1 and 5 meters.

Many new B.E.R.U. members have been elected and within a few months the full Empire Network will be in operation. Some dozen British amateurs have been appointed Empire Link

The Rotab Cup (presented in 1926 by Mr. G. Marcuse, G2NM) has been won by Mr. F. Miles, G5ML, whilst the Wortley-Talbot Trophy goes to Mr. C. E. Runeckles, SUSRS. We are sure amateurs throughout the world will join in congratulating these well known amateurs.

Preparations are proceeding apace for the coming 28-mc. tests, and all who desire to assist should advise our Contact Bureau Manager, Mr. Powditch, Porth House, Porth, St. Colomb

Minor, Cornwall.

In answer to several requests, we wish to advise all amateurs that the coveted W.B.E. cert ficate is only issued to R.S.G.B. or B.E.R.U. members who have worked a British station in each of the five continents.

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> NORWEGIAN NOTES By G. H. Petersen, Pres. N.R.R.L.

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The outstanding event during August was the Convention and General Meeting at Oslo on August 9th and 10th.

There was a very fine representation from all parts of the country, and many interesting plans were discussed. Much importance was attached to the inland tests to be arranged during the autumn months to establish reliable national relay lines. It was decided to stimulate the exchange of foreign reports and cooperation in international tests, and in this connection it is interesting to note that we have arranged for foreign reports to be distributed to all our members by a monthly circular, which is also to contain bulletins from Headquarters, inland reports, and anything else of interest.

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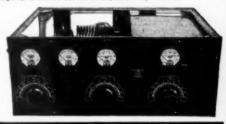
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It was certainly regretted that we had no opportunity to welcome any foreign amateurs. We had certainly hoped to see G6YL and SM6UA.

No interesting work has been reported during the month, LAIG moving to a new QRA, and most of the gang reporting bad conditions, or rebuilding for the coming season.

SPANISH NOTES

By Miguel Moya, Pres. Asociacion E. A.R.

The Asociacion E.A.R. has been very active during the past few months, by virtue of the new decree issued by the Spanish Government and originating at the Hague Conference.

Thanks to the intervention of the President of the E.A.R. with the Inter-Ministerial Committee of which it forms a part, the Spanish amateurs have been able to work undisturbed at all hours and on all waves allotted by the Washington Conference, both with C.W. and 'phone.

The number of official licenses granted by the E.A.R. has reached 210.

Another and important group of the E.A.R. has just been organized to take part in the tests periodically conducted by the U.R.S.I. for the purpose of studying the propagation of short wayes.

Just recently a communication contest was held between Argentine and Spanish amateurs. The contest was organized by the Argentine Radio Club, in collaboration with the E.A.R. Of the Argentine amateurs, LU3DE and LU8DY, and of the Spanish, EAR98 and EAR96, were the most successful.

In accordance with the resolutions adopted by the League of Amateurs at Antwerp and the recommendations made by the Secretary of the I.A.R.U., the Asociacion E.A.R. has pledged itself to do everything possible to have representatives of the I.A.R.U. meet again at the next International Conference to be held at Madrid in 1932.

NEW ZEALAND NOTES By S. R. Perkins, Gen. Sec. N.Z.A.R.T.

N.Z.A.R.T. affairs have undergone a change since last year, Headquarters having been changed from Auckland to Wellington upon the vote of members. The new address is now P. O. Box 489, Wellington, N. Z., and this should be used for all QSL cards, correspondence, etc.

Recently concessions have been granted by the Government in the way of reduced license fees and the privilege of exchanging messages. This latter has led to the formation of a Relay Chain and by collaboration with the Defense Department it is hoped to inaugurate shortly an Army-Amateur network similar to that in force in the U. S. A.



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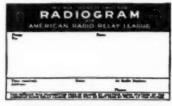
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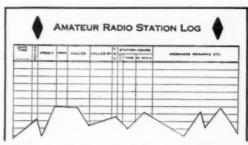
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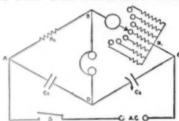
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Registration occupied Friday morning, with President Baird, of the Radio Operators' Club of Spokane, formally opening the convention on Friday afternoon. The acting mayor of Spokane welcomed the delegates, and other notables were called on for brief remarks, following which the meeting turned into a traffic discussion under the chairmanship of SCM Piety - and an excellent job he did of it, too. At 4 p.m. everybody piled into busses for a trip to the natatorium which took up the rest of the afternoon and incidentally was a stroke of pure genius on the part of the convention committee. Suits and lockers were free, the water was just right, and the contests were interesting. (We do believe, though, that parachutes should have been provided for those hardy souls who dove off the rafters!)

Friday evening most of those present ate together informally in one of the private dining rooms of the hotel, apparently under the leadership of the firm of Gunston Gunston Gunston and Gunston. The regular evening session was taken up with talks by Assistant Secretary Budlong, from League Headquarters, Mr. Edan of the A. T. & T., Lts. Street and Pyle, of the Naval Reserve, Mr. Prince (rectifiers and filters) and a final technical session featuring Prof. Woodruff, visiting director from the Atlantic Division, who held the gang until after midnight with his remarks and demonstrations on r.f. chokes, TNT transmitters, etc.

Saturday morning there were trips to KFPY and KHQ. Certain well-remembered "voice DX" between the studio and the Hotel Ridpath featured the KFPY visit! Following a short session in the early afternoon, there was another bus trip to the aviation field, where Lt. Holter, of the local National Guard Squadron demonstrated ship-ground communication and then went aloft to give everybody a chance to guess his plane's height and thus win a free ride. W7AHV won by coming within ten feet of the correct height of 3300 feet.

At a Northwestern Division Convention the banquet really is the principal feature. Our first impression, on getting seated, was the R9 appearance of the waitresses and the many YL's Following the banquet proper, President Baird introduced Director Weingarten, who acted as toastmaster, and called for remarks from Senator C. C. Dill, Supervisor Lovejoy, Prof. Woodruff, Mr. Budlong, Mr. Waskey, Lt. Holter and others. To list all those who spoke would be to list the convention register of S4, for the banquet was delightfully informal and before it was over

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President Baird, Secretary Moon, Mr. Sturtevant (chairman of the program committee) and their associates of the Radio Operators' Club of Spokane deserve hearty commendation for an extremely successful and most enjoyable convention. The gang at Tacoma have a high mark to shoot at when they put on the Northwestern Division Convention at that city next year.

- A. L. B.

New England Division Convention

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spot "in between times" during the two days of the convention.

With a good number of delegates registered and luncheon over, the gang adjourned to the Chamber of Commerce Building early in the afternoon for the formal opening of the convention. Mr. Perry T. Johnson, W1US, President of the P. A. W. A., gave the address of welcome, and made every one feel at home. He then introduced Mr. E. L. Battey, Assistant Communications Manager, A.R.R.L., who gave a traffic talk. SCM Brown, W1AQL, was present, and on a suggestion of Fred Best, W1BIG, discussed the possibilities of a Maine traffic net. W1ANH, Route Manager, showed his scholastic training by drawing a free-hand map of Maine on the blackboard for the use of the SCM. (We could even determine that it was Maine, and not Utah. — E. L. B.)

After the traffic problems had been somewhat ironed out and plans made for the coming season, the A. C. M. displayed a Dynatron Frequency Meter, which he had brought up from Headquarters. Mr. L. C. Brown, W1AQD, who was scheduled for a technical talk was unable to attend, and while the committee was pondering as to whom they would get to fill in, Mr. Reginald Sherman, W1BJL, came forward and "saved the day" with a very interesting talk on screen-grid detectors. The remainder of the first afternoon was spent in hamfesting and getting acquainted, and it was not until about 7 p.m. that the bunch got together again at the Chamber of Commerce for the contests, stunts, movies, etc. These were enjoyed by all hands, and everybody had an enjoyable evening. It was "past bedtime" when the gang dispersed to spend the remainder of the night as they saw fit - some actually "hit the

The weather was quite poor Saturday—in fact it rained practically all day. But that didn't lessen the enthusiasm of the delegates "one iota." The visits to WCSH and the Telephone Company, which occupied most of the morning, were interesting to all.

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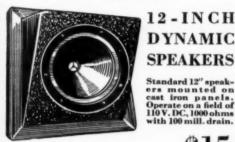
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The gang left the C. of C. having absorbed quite a wealth of information from the very fine lectures, and spent the time before the banquet in talking over what they had learned, and hamfesting in general. At about 7 p.m. everyone gathered in the Sunrise Room at the Eastland for the biggest part of any convention — the banquet, The hall was very attractively decorated with every sign of festivity. Balloons were fastened at each table. Every one had some sort of favor and noise maker, and the result was a lively and joyous banquet. A picture was taken of the gang seated in the Banquet Hall. Director Best assumed his place as toastmaster and introduced the following speakers: Radio Supervisor C. C. Kolster; Lt. Paul G. Haas; Major J. G. Platt; F. W. Pratt; E. L. Battey; William L. Foss, Chief Engineer WCSH, and Mr. Thurston of the Cumberland County Power and Light Company. Following the addresses Lieutenant Haas presented the Lee cup to Section 4, U. S. N. R. in charge of L. C. Brown, W1AQD, for the most outstanding Naval Reserve work throughout the past year. Representatives from the 1st, 2nd, 3d, 5th, 8th and 9th districts stood up as the districts were polled. Auburn made the only bid for next year's convention, and was unanimously chosen as the site for the 1931 affair.

When the formal part of the banquet was over, that part of the convention program which Director Best termed "the real interesting part" took place — the prize distribution. Several interesting "swaps" took place, too. (We refer you to W1AJC for more dope on this. — E. L. B.)

A special ladies program was carried out on both days of the convention so that the XYLs and YLs were cared for during the technical discussions, which meant nothing to them. The State Theater very kindly furnished free tickets to the "lady delegates."

The convention was brought to a close with "three cheers" for the work of the Convention Committee, and everybody hoped to get together again at Auburn next year.

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it stands.

Volume Level Indicators

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it is 7 or 8, the grid bias control is varied until it returns to 5. Now the grid bias should be checked to see if it differs greatly from 1.1 volts; if so, the characteristics of the triode have changed, and it should either be replaced by one of similar characteristics, or the volume indicator should be recalibrated. The characteristics of some tubes are unsteady and abnormal at first but after "warming up" will become normal.

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The Vanalta Division Convention

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Following the toast to His Majesty King George V, Mr. John Lawrence, VE5CO, president of the V.S.W.C., introduced Mr. Butterfield, VE5AP, as toastmaster. The speakers were led by Mr. Huber, of the A.R.R.L., in an explanation of why the radio amateur has problems, describing how well the League is prepared for meeting them at present, and making a plea for sober reflection by all on the dignity our hobby has reached and the need for a continuation of its present high status and good leadership. Mr. J. F. Wilson then welcomed all visitors and proposed a toast which was answered by King Cavalsky of Vancouver. The remainder of the evening was spent in conducting liars' and beauty (the latter being won by Mr. Leonard de Geus, W6BTZ, with a full beard) contests, and awarding of prizes.

Sunday's activities began at 9:30 a.m. with visits to the government radio station, VAK, on Gonzales Hill, and to H. M. C. S. Naden, the Royal Canadian Naval Barracks at Esquimalt, where the unique privilege of inspecting CKN was afforded kindly by Chief Operator Fox. In the afternoon a caravan of amateur-laden autos wound through the picturesque countryside of southern Vancouver Island to the famous Mr. Butchart's sunken gardens. In the evening a visit was made to radio broadcasting studios of CFCT. The Cleveland Air Race film was shown at 8 p.m., and later, after more contests and more prizes thanks to the generous manufacturers—the "gang" set out for home not only with the satisfaction of having attended a thoroughly enjoyable outing, but with the knowledge that the Times reporter (who had attended every session) had been converted from a BCL into an amateur!

In the mind of the writer the Vanalta Division Convention of 1930 will remain long as the most enjoyable affair he has attended. There are certain advantages in a Canadian convention, not the least one being the fresh viewpoint a Yankee inevitably acquires. We have a great deal to learn from our neighbors next door, and from this consideration the question naturally arises: "Why don't we hold more conventions in Canada?"

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The convention's sessions were held in the rooms of the Topeka Chamber of Commerce, with plenty of technical dope being given by a list of speakers including R. G. McCurdy, of the Graybar Electric Co., who used up all the loose ciphers in Topeka in telling of the total amplification which took place over the transatlantic 'phone circuit; P. H. (Port) Quinby, W9DXY, former director from the Division; A. W. Hodge, W9CFL-NDP and F. H. Smith, who spoke on crystal control, and "Jim" McCormick, W9BHR, who presented his latest frequency meter.

The non-technical discussions included a talk on League affairs by the assistant secretary of the League, A. L. Budlong; a discussion of the Army-Amateur network by Lt.-Col. W. F. McFarland, W9EVT, the assistant adjutant general of Kansas; and an explanation of the Volunteer Naval Communications Reserve by Lt.-Cmdr. R. H. G. Mathews, who, as usual, showed up from Chicago with a corps of examining officials and doctors and ran through about a dozen recruits. We must not omit, either, the popular editor of "Grandpa's Regret," H. W. Kerr, W9DZW-GP, who came down from Little Sioux, Ia.

Twelve of thirteen candidates for amateur licenses were successful, and H. T. Gallaher, the "R. I." from Chicago, announced that one of them secured an extra-first ticket.

Not content with one banquet, the K.V.R.C. provided two at Topeka. The first, held Saturday night prior to an evening visit to W1BW, was provided through the kindness of the Capper Publications. The second, which was the formal convention banquet, was held Sunday afternoon at the Hotel Jayhawk and was followed by contests and prize awards which kept the 90-odd amateurs in good humor for most of the afternoon. A huge number of prizes was distributed through the kindness of various manufacturers, with Leo W. Born, W9FTY, capturing the main one by popular vote, the prize being a \$200 tenmonths' scholarship offered by one of the leading radio schools.

President John Amis, Secretary Frank Tiffany and other members of the Kaw Valley Radio Club are to be congratulated for a highly successful and interesting convention; it is safe to say that all those who attended this year will look forward to the announcement of next year's Topeka gathering.

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